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FLAT "NO" TO JAPANESE CONTENTION

WASHINGTON, YESTERDAY.
THE UNITED STATES HAS PRESENTED A NEW NOTE TO JAPAN. COUCHED IN STRONG TERMS, IT CARRIES A FIRM AND FLAT REFUSAL TO RECOGNISE THE JAPANESE EFFORTS TO ESTABLISH A NEW ORDER IN CHINA.

The Note is a reply to the recent Japanese Note, which stated that Japan did not consider herself bound by the Nine-Power Treaty.

Tientsin Has New Cause For Wonder

Tientsin, Yesterday.
Considerable stir has been created here by a letter signed by Mr. Chen Hsiang-mo, principal of a Chinese school in the Chinese city, which was delivered to-day to the residences of important Chinese residents in the British and French Concessions by messengers from the Mayor's office.

The letter refers to the inconveniences occasioned by the barriers around the Concessions. Owing to the protection to hostile elements, the letter says, the Concessions are to blame for the necessity of having these barriers erected.

The letter urges Chinese residents in the Concessions to make representations for formation of an international police corps under the control of the China Safety Bureau, reorganisation of the Councils and dismissal of police officers who are protecting "anti-Government" elements.

The letter was featured in the Chinese and Japanese newspapers this morning. The journals report that copies have also been sent to the British and French Consulates. — Reuter.

FRANCE WARNS BRITAIN

Paris, Yesterday.
Anxiety over Germany's claims to more submarines is expressed by some political commentators in the press this morning.

Madame Tabouis, writing in "l'Ouvre," believes that the submarine parity move is but a preliminary step in a campaign for a larger navy generally.

M. Viviers, writing in "l'Ordre," says that the attitude of Germany is a confirmation of her political position in regard to Africa, for which she will need a powerful submarine fleet. — Reuter.

ADMIRAL RETURNS

London, Yesterday.
Vice-Admiral A. E. Cunningham, Deputy Chief of Naval Staff, who headed the Admiralty delegation to Berlin, returned to London this morning.

The other three members of the British delegation are returning later. — Reuter.



A Bann's Studio photo of Mr. Wang Ching-wei, who is the centre of interest in China for the moment, chiefly because his apparent defection has shocked his friends.

ABYSSINIA STILL FIGHTS MUSSOLINI

London, Yesterday.
A number of documents from Ethiopian chiefs and non-Italian Europeans in Abyssinia, addressed to ex-Emperor Haile Selassie and to the League of Nations, were published in London to-day.

The documents give details of several battles fought between Italian troops and Abyssinians who are still holding out against Italian rule.

One paper, signed by three "rebel" chiefs, says that the country has not submitted to Italy except near roads and fortifications.

INDEPENDENT STILL

Another document, which comes from some European priests, says that a vast part of Abyssinia is still independent.

Several battles, the priests reveal, have been fought, and instances are given of Italian and native battalions being routed by the Abyssinians. — Reuter.

BRITISH ENGINEER ON TRIAL IN MOSCOW

London, Yesterday.
A British engineer, Bryan Grover, is facing trial in Moscow this afternoon on a charge of entering Russia without permission. The story of Mr. Grover, who is 37 years old, is a romantic one.

His wife, who is Russian, has been living in the Soviet for some time.

Hearing that she was starving, Mr. Grover gave up his job with a firm of consulting engineers, and learned to fly.

He went to Stockholm, in a desperate plan to take his wife out of Russia, he suddenly took off alone in his plane.

He was arrested on landing with petrol exhausted by O.G.P.U. agents, and held incommunicado for some time.

On December 23, members of the British Embassy were permitted to see him for the first time, in the presence of Russian officials.

Mr. Grover is being defended in the trial by Russian lawyers. — Reuter.

DIPLOMATIC SHOCK FOR MUSSOLINI

London, Yesterday.

The diplomatic correspondent of the "Daily Telegraph" says that Italian political circles are extremely disturbed by failure to force Mr. Chamberlain into the role of mediator between France and Italy.

The new French Note leaves Italy in the position of petitioner if she wants any variation of the 1935 agreement and that is a role Mussolini does not want to be in.

Doubt Cast On Authenticity Of Wang Ching-Wei Plea Foreign Diplomats Taken By Surprise TOKYO CAUTIOUS ABOUT SUDDEN DEVELOPMENT

Chungking, Yesterday.

Reuter is authoritatively informed, concerning the telegram alleged to have been sent by Mr. Wang Ching-wei and addressed to General Chiang Kai-shek proposing to discuss peace with Japan on three conditions, that Generalissimo has received no such communication.

In Shanghai, where Mr. Wang Ching-wei's statement was first taken completely by surprise, and came to regard Mr. Wang as an authorised flight from Chiang Kai-shek.

Now they do not know whether there may be much more to Mr. Wang's statement.

Isn't it possible, they declare, that General Chiang Kai-shek sent Mr. Wang a confidential envoy to propose peace?

If it were a successful Generalissimo could claim the credit for sending Mr. Wang, whereas if it were unsuccessful the Generalissimo could maintain that he had no connection with Mr. Wang's journey or stay in Shanghai.

This line of reasoning is manifestly looking for the nigger in the woodpile. It is difficult to imagine Mr. Wang Ching-wei or any other individual willing to be the goat and such a feat?

Leading members of the British Embassy, spent the whole morning trying to clarify the situation.

SHANGHAI WAITING

All diplomats in Shanghai are now eagerly awaiting the re-

sults of Mr. Wang's mission.

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JAPAN WANTS TO KNOW REASON WHY

Tokyo, Yesterday.
The declaration demanding the opening of peace negotiations with Japan, allegedly made by Mr. Wang Ching-wei, is prominently displayed on the front pages of the Japanese newspapers but is not editorially commented upon.

Official quarters decline to comment upon the alleged Chinese peace feeler, and doubt whether the declaration represents the views of actually responsible members of the Chinese Central Government.

Japanese Government circles are far more interested in the background of the departure of Mr. Wang Ching-wei from Chungking, because they want to avoid the risk of being misled by a manoeuvre of Mr. Wang Ching-wei prompted by personal reasons.

As long as some uncertainty exists in Tokyo regarding the latest events in Chungking, Tokyo political circles do not believe in a peace gesture of Japan towards China. — Trans-Ocean.

SHANGHAI DOUBTFUL

Shanghai, Yesterday.
Doubts are now cast here on the origin of the alleged declaration of Mr. Wang Ching-wei for the opening of peace negotiations with Japan. It is learned here that the declaration was drafted by the

editor of a Chinese newspaper and without authorisation by Mr. Wang Ching-wei sent to various newspapers on Friday night.

The declaration is signed by the names of Mei Si-ping and Ling Tai-san, who both are unknown.

Chinese circles point out that the style of the declaration differs from that of Mr. Wang Ching-wei in essential characteristics.

Official Chinese quarters likewise doubt the authenticity of the declaration, emphasising that Mr. Wang Ching-wei would fall in his alleged mission if he published his plans without maintaining confidential contact with General Chiang Kai-shek. — Trans-Ocean.

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If, however, Mr. Wang's interpretation is wrong, then Chungking would only lose face by even toying with an idea which had proved to be based on a false premise.

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Mr. Wang Ching-wei's sudden departure from Chungking, shown above on his arrival at Kai Tak by Air France.

SIGNIFICANT FAREWELL TO SENEGALESE

Paris, Yesterday.
A battalion of French Senegalese sharpshooters embarked for French Somaliland to-day on board two liners which had been held back two days for them.

The troops were addressed by the commander of the Mar-seilles military district on the wharf.

The commander said: "A few weeks ago Paris itself was threatened, and on that occasion, in contrast to diplomatic action, the French Army gave a swift reply."

"To-day it is a question of the Colonies, and we are giving an equally swift reply." — Reuter.

VIENNA PRIEST ARRESTED

Vienna, Yesterday.
Father Alois Hennig, a Catholic priest of St. Ulrich, near Vienna, has been arrested for illegally baptising thirty-four Jews.

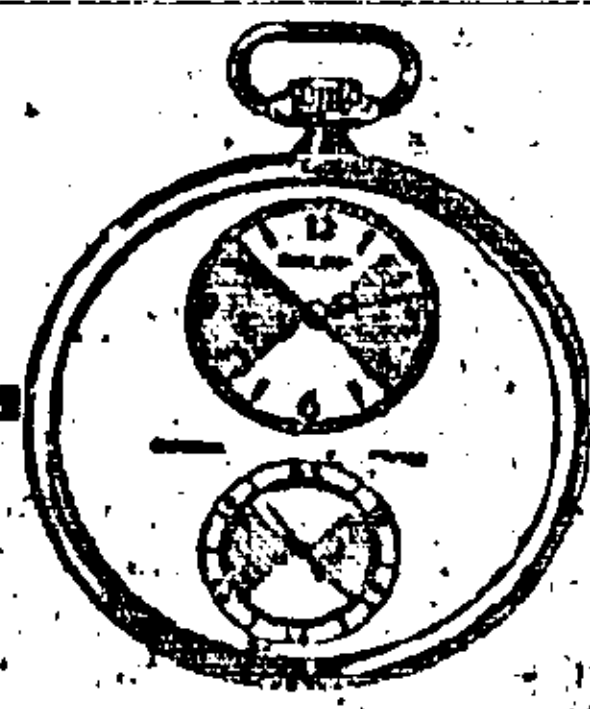
He is further accused of accepting money for the ceremony. — Reuter.

GIFTS TO KING'S STAFF

London, Yesterday.

The King yesterday distributed presents to 200 members of the staff at Sandringham in the ballroom of the King's residence.

The Queen and Princess Elizabeth and Princess Margaret were present at the function. — Reuter.



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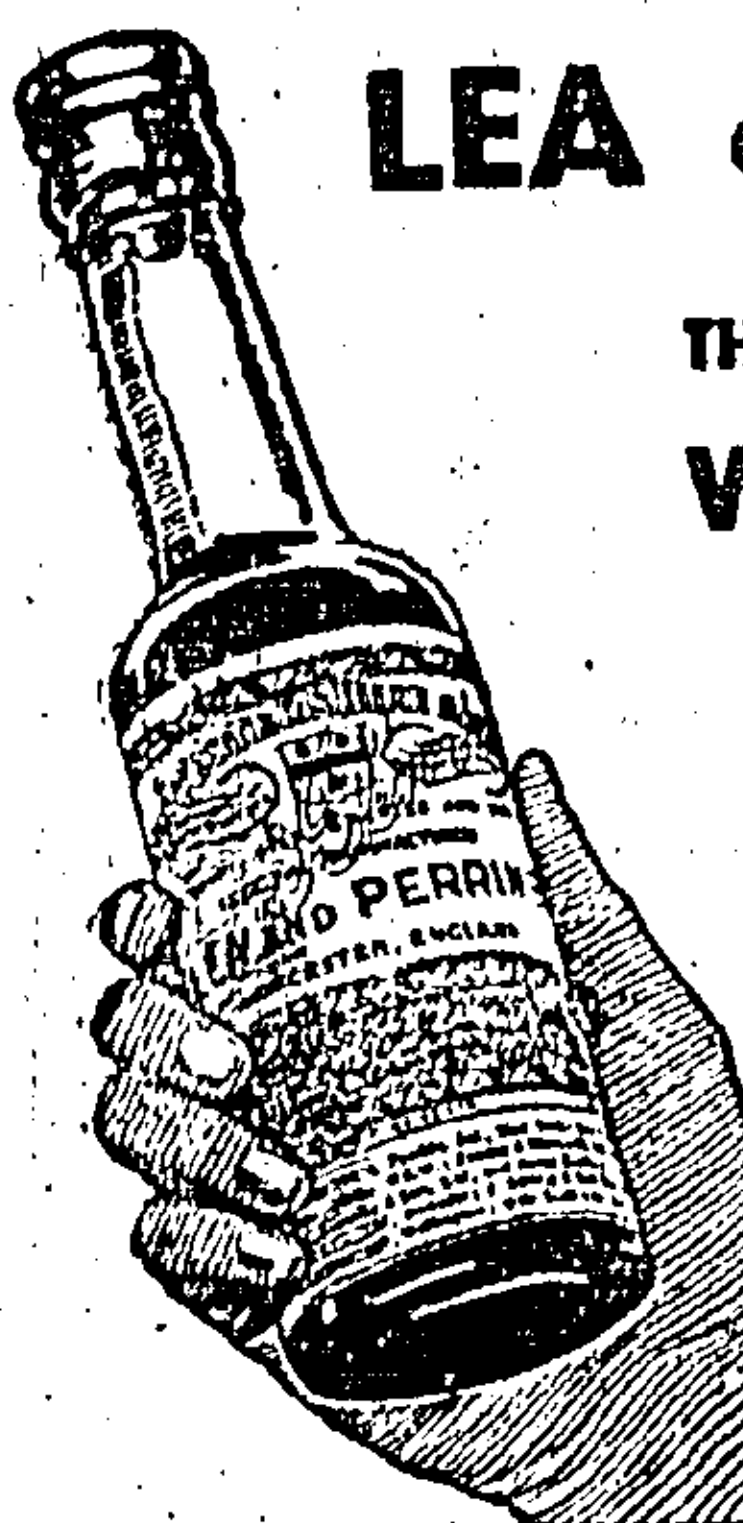
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a large loose loop and finishing in a long streamer. On the skirt
the ribbons are arranged in close horizontal lines, giving the ef-
fect of a wide rainbow band, each row cut with a serrated edge.

FOR THE SUNDAY SUPPER TABLE

MANY people look forward to the Sunday night supper. It is a time when the family can relax and enjoy a good meal. The following recipes are suggested for the Sunday supper table.

CASSEROLE
This is a very suitable for the Sunday supper. It can be prepared in advance and reheated when required. The following recipe is for a good one.

PORK PIE AND APPLE SAUCE
Individual pork pies are always popular and here is a Melton Mowbray recipe. Cut up finely 2 lb good pork,



Woven mats in bright colours are a distinctive feature of this table setting for a simple supper table. The dishes are cold ones that have been prepared previously and are served easily, either at table or from a cold buffet. They are a home-made meat brawn, a well-fruitful jelly, and lemon cheese puffs, with petits fours to accompany the coffee.

season with salt, nutmeg and pepper. Line small tins with short pastry leaving enough for the lid. Fill with the seasoned pork, dot with butter and after fixing on lids with a little milk, bake gently for about one hour.

PEARS WITH CHOCOLATE
Put into individual glasses one good-sized half of a well-poached tinned pear. Make the following sauce: Boil 2oz sugar, ½ pint water and 2oz grated chocolate for a few minutes. Blend two teaspoonfuls cornflour and add to chocolate mixture. Stir till boiling, then add vanilla and a little sherry.

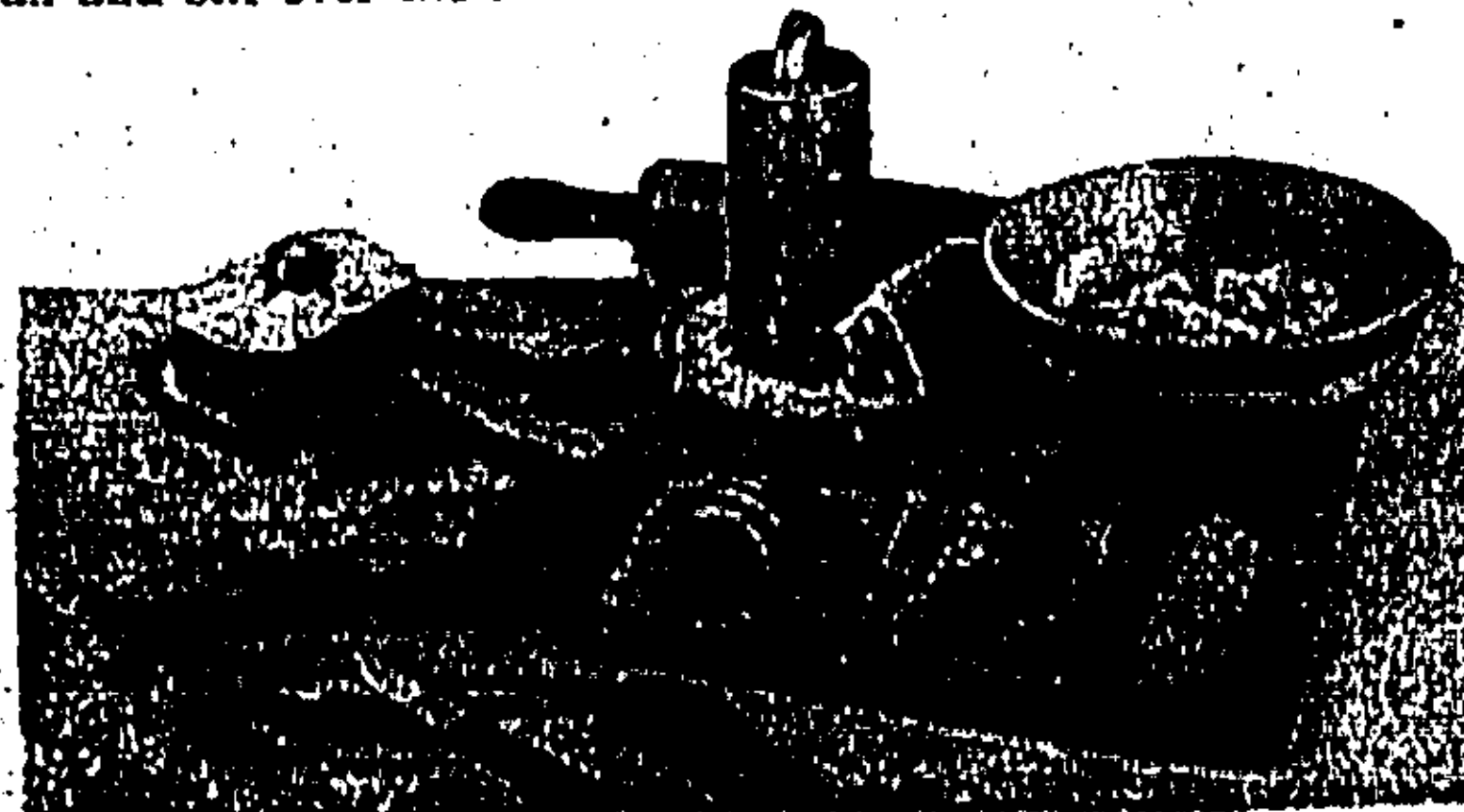
When cold pour over pears. Top with knob of whipped cream and sprinkle with chopped walnuts.

JELLIED OXTAIL
This is delicious for supper, served with a salad, and can be made the previous day. Cut an oxtail into pieces at the joints. Stew very gently, with very little water, till the meat falls from the bone. Set aside to cool, when the gravy should set as a firm jelly. Rinse a mould in cold water and arrange the meat in it with sliced hard-boiled eggs and

greased casserole with the bacon and then fill it with alternate layers of cod's roe and bacon, finishing with bacon. Bake in a moderate oven for three-quarters of an hour.

CREME A LA MARIE
Half pint milk, 2oz butter, 1oz cornflour, yolks of 2 eggs, 1 teaspoonful vanilla, 1 teaspoonful best apricot jam, 2½ tablespoonfuls sherry, 1oz castor sugar, cream.

Mix cornflour and milk till quite smooth, put into a saucepan and stir over the fire till it



The homey sausage roll can readily be made into a more substantial and tasty dish. After skinning, prick each sausage carefully and roll in a rash of bacon. Place on a piece of pastry, on which a little Cheddar cheese has been grated, and roll up neatly. Bake till well cooked and nicely browned. Serve hot, or cold, with salad.

MAUD DAWSON says

MEN DON'T UNDERSTAND

THE other day I spoke to you of people I'd like to muzzle. It was, of course, by no means a complete list.

I should dearly like to add, high, very high upon that list the MEN (capital letters are for emphasis, reader, dear) who babble about catering and living on a small income.

Lord Nuffield is one of the latest. Bloaters, dates, cheese and oatmeal, according to an interviewer, are his solution for living on nothing a week.

He could, of course, do it so much better than those who have to. Nothing easier than living on a few shillings a week if you are in the millions class.

Like Lord Nuffield, I like dates. Like Lord Nuffield, I love a good bloater. Like Lord Nuffield, I have in my time had to attend handsome public dinners and thought longingly of that bloater.

BLOATER OR RED HERRING?

But delicious though dates are, and joy of joys though an occasional bloater may be, I shudder to think of the internal revolution to which I should be subjected on a diet with these as its regular mainstay.

I, too, think oatmeal is a grand

boils. Add the butter. Break the egg yolks with a spoon and stir in cornflour for five minutes till they are well cooked. Add sugar, vanilla, jam and sherry. Be careful after adding the yolks that the cornflour does not boil again.

Rub the mixture through a hair sieve, add a few drops of cochineal and pour into small ramequin cases. When cold cover with cream whipped with egg whites and sprinkle freely with chopped pistachio nuts. The mixture should be only semi-solid.

FRESH FRUIT SALAD

Ingredients: Fresh fruits in season, 1 tablespoonful sugar to each ¼ pint water. For decoration: Chopped jelly, slightly sweetened whipped cream.

For four persons, a good selection of fruit in season at present is 1 large apple, 2 pears, 1 banana, 1 orange, green and black grapes, few blanched almonds, few chopped dates, few cocktail cherries.

Select fruits which are colourful as this makes the dish more attractive.

Peel and slice apples and pears into basin. Make syrup by boiling sugar and water till clear. Pour syrup over apples and pears and allow to stand while rest of fruit is prepared—orange peeled, quartered and seeds removed, grapes halved and stones removed, banana peeled and sliced.

Mix all fruit together and then pile into individual glasses. Just before serving decorate with whipped cream and chopped jelly of bright colour made from ½ jelly square and ¼ pint water.

The advantages of this dish are that it can be varied according to fruits in season; quantity can be adjusted easily for small or large party; though popular with adults, it can be given to children as it is nutritious.

BAKED BANANAS
Take about six ripe bananas and slice them lengthways. Butter a pie dish and arrange the slices of banana in layers, sprinkling a mixture of sugar and pounded spice between each layer till dish is full.

Place a small lump of butter on top and bake in oven till brown. If liked, a tablespoonful of brandy may be poured over the bananas before placing the dish in the oven.

extra on the diet list. I was brought up on it. But, unless you get one of the prepared varieties, oatmeal takes quite a lot of cooking, and cooking takes fuel, and fuel takes money, which causes that ten shillings to dwindle still further.

And even oatmeal calls for the addition of milk, sugar or treacle, which aren't given away.

JUST TRY IT!

There may be some things on which you can theorise. House-keeping and catering aren't among them.

Theories worked out on paper in this sphere are full of fallacies.

Some of the dishes which sound so sensible or so economical involve the use of expensive extras, fuel, kitchen facilities which don't exist in thousands of homes.

Somehow I think Lord Nuffield had better stick to building motor-cars.



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Back To The LAND

PARLIAMENT has agreed to let the people have freer access to the mountains and the moors. "Hiking as an Aid to Fitness" was the note struck by the debate and the Press reports. Not "Hiking as an Enjoyable Occupation," or "Hiking Because You Want To."

Don't get Parliament wrong. You are to be allowed to walk about the country because, as one Member said, "healthy and intelligent people are wanted to serve the nation in war and peace." I just mention that point lest the masses should become inflated with a sense of their own importance. Now let us proceed.

The subject is part of that larger problem—What is to be done with the land now that agriculture is to be abolished?

England, her soul filled with lofty aspirations, has made her choice. She has turned her face from the clod, and yearns for a Higher Life. She has hitched her wagon to electric light. Believing that nations may rise on stepping stones of their dead peasants to higher things, she has decided to become a race of city dwellers.

Even while the old songs of our bucolic past are still on our lips, and we loudly assert our desire to be a Farmer's Boy—oy-oy-oy, we have resolved to be factory hands or clerks. We needs must love the highest when we see it.

Turning from brutish ways, and rejecting all other and inferior ways of life, we have set our course steadily towards culture and refinement. From now on the main purpose of our existence, severally and collectively, is to export manufactured goods.



As the butterfly emerges from the chrysalis, so the peasant is transformed into the proletarian—as who should say, "Excelsior!"

And whenever a city-dweller does happen to see a land-worker, he says to himself:—

"How blest are we that are not simple men!"

Yet Nature might have made us as these are!

Obtaining our food from elsewhere, we have no further use for

that soft, untidy stuff that lies outside trade, and is called "the land." We have, in fact, no longer any land. It is all landscape now.

As we ascend into higher spheres of thought and nobler modes of life, landscape recedes further and further from us; until it becomes only a vague and shadowy background to reality. But, like man himself, as it ceases to be a vulgar necessity it becomes a thing of beauty. The Soil has given place to The View. And you save 25 per cent. If you ask for a day return ticket,

In spite of all this, it is said that we still, in actual fact, depend for our existence upon people who work on the land.

Economists say that we could not pursue the nobler, cleaner life of the city unless somewhere, in remote, unseen parts of the world, certain inferior and more primitive sorts of persons were working long hours for small wages on, in, or under the soil.

This may be true, though, as an educated city man, I naturally maintain a healthy, rational scepticism regarding the Unseen.

If it is true, then let us accept the service of our inferiors with modest pride besting a people that has reached that last and loftiest altitude of human achievement, mechanisation, and is by virtue raised into pre-eminence—particularly when the power fails and we have to fry the steak over a candle.

Even as our fathers depended for bodily comforts upon a lower order of menials, who were kept out of sight in the basement, so let us keep our food-growers hid-

den away overseas. We may need them, but that is no reason for letting them Spoil the View.

"Natives," "colonials," whatever they are called—these people are not as we are; they are not on the same plane of culture and development, though I hear some of them have wireless.

Yet the land-workers will accept the situation. They know that Manufacturers are a higher type of man. It is sufficient for them that, in return for accepting our manufactured goods, we grant them the privilege of feeding us, and they will be content with that station in life to which it hath pleased heaven and our export trade to call them.

And I am sure that if anyone were to ask an Australian farmer or an Indian peasant what his function in life and his place in the universal scheme, he would draw himself up proudly, and say, "I have the honour to feed the English!"

And so, the English people are going back to the land—for Fitness.

One point, raised in the debate, remains to be discussed. One speaker, referring to the days when his father bestrode the fells with a bowler hat and umbrella, welcomed the coming of shorts.

This is a mistake. In the interests of Fitness, I must protest against shorts.

In the days of England's greatness, when men were men and women were exactly the opposite, our forebears climbed the hills in heat-waves clad in a manner fit to withstand the Arctic snows.

THE PLOT THICKENS

By PETER SNOOP

I AM able exclusively to reveal details of a sinister Soviet plot against the British Empire. It was none other than an attempt to kidnap the man on whose shoulders rests the major burden of this country's affairs, Herr von Cliveden.

As daylight was fading in Whitehall, last night, a sinister figure, glancing cautiously around him, stole up to the entrance to the Foreign Office.

He wore a bowler hat, pince-nez spectacles, and water dripping from his umbrella left a trail of dampness as he sidled through the door.

Herr von Cliveden was speaking on the telephone to the Prime Minister. "Ja," he ordered. "Tell the Führer dot ye vill gif him der Air Faght he wants if he vill let us share der use of his concentration camps. Guten nacht. Hell, Hitler."

And he replaced the instrument. Then he looked up to see the figure of dread, standing before him, gazing in stony silence.

He continued to stare, motionless, with an ever-widening pool of water forming beneath his umbrella.

"Himmel! Vot do you vant?" He almost screamed. Von Cliveden, unable to bear the suspense any longer.

"You are Gottfried von Cliveden?"

"Ja. Dot is so. Who vos you?" "I am an Inspector of Taxes." Even Von Cliveden, the man who unflinchingly and courageously guided the nation through the Crisis, blanched at the words.

"And I have official business with you. You have failed to make a return of your income, under Schedule A, for assessment purposes, and I am afraid you will have to come with me to the offices of the Commissioners of Inland Revenue to answer a few questions."

"Ach, nein! Not dot!" gasped Von Cliveden.

"And then the ready wit which has served the country so well in the past came to his rescue. 'Nein. I vill nod gom mit you. Mein Ingome vos elne Official Secret.'"

"Folled again!" hissed the Inspector, and stalked out of the door.

As he did so a large, red, false beard fell out of his pocket.

Herr von Cliveden gazed interrogatively at it for some moments before he realised its significance. Then, "Himmel!" he gasped, "it vos Pfluk, der Russian spy."

Yelling for his S. S. men, he raced into the street, but when he arrived there Whitehall was empty, save for a few hundred passers-by.

By YAFFLE

Whiskers a-flame, in the noontide glare, my father pranced o'er hill and dale in a thick, tight suit, a heavy hat jammed firmly on, and collar so high and stiff that when he laughed he stabbed himself in the tonsils.

My mother, eased in bullet-proof stays and starched to the larynx, swathed to the feet in acres of textile, tripped lightly beside him, with a child in one hand and a string bag full of lemonade bottles in the other.

Where are such sturdy, indomitable men and women now? This generation of weaklings cannot face a country walk unless it takes its clothes off. Our young women count anything more than innocence too great a weight for their feeble limbs. Our young men cannot climb a hill unless they leave their trousers in the valley.

Shorts are the sign and symbol, not of health and strength, but of national degeneracy and physical decline. Anyone can climb a hill in shorts. The men and women England needs are those who can climb it in wools.

If the coming generation would be strong, let them bear the burdens their parents bore. If they would prove their hardihood, let them walk, tight-bound in fabric, from the ankles to the chin, in summer time, on Bredon and on Ilkley Moor with 'at.

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REPUBLICAN ADVANCE SLOWED ALMOST TO HALT

Barcelona, Yesterday.

The surprise counter-offensive which the Republican troops started at 10.30 a.m. south of Lerida, is moving parallel to the Segre River in the direction of Sarroca.

Sarroca is a key road junction less than three miles from the Republican front line.

Should Sarroca fall, the Republicans would control communications behind the Italian divisions which are now thrusting towards Borjas Blancas, and which, according to Republican accounts, are in grave danger of isolation.

Communications in the area favour the Republicans, whose right flank is protected by the defences along the Segre River and lake.

The Nationalists are exposed to counter-attack from the direction of Adella, and the Republicans have a strong position on the other flank of the Nationalist salient.—Reuter.

AT ALL POINTS

London, Yesterday.

Independent reports from the Spanish front where severe fighting continues indicate that Franco's offensive has slowed down at all points.

Reuter's correspondents state that the relative positions have not materially changed in the last 24 hours, but the Italian contingents are in grave danger of being trapped.

Violent onslaughts on the Lerida front have failed to bring Franco success.

REPUBLICAN COMMUNIQUE

Barcelona, Yesterday.

The continued advance of the Nationalists in the Tremp, Balaguer and Lerida sectors is confirmed in a military bulletin issued last night by the Republican Ministry of National Defence.

Republican fliers attacked the enemy line, flying low and machine-gunning the ranks, and several Nationalist planes were shot down. Enemy artillery shelled Madrid during the night, and five Nationalist bombers destroyed the village of Martos, in Jaen province, demolishing 25 houses, killing seven persons and wounding eleven.

Nationalist planes also bombed the harbour of Valencia.—Trans-Ocean.

U.S. SILVER PRICE

Washington, Yesterday.

In spite of an appeal made to President Roosevelt by a number of Senators to raise the silver price for the next six months, well-informed circles believe that the present rate of 64 cents per ounce will be maintained.—Trans-Ocean.

HANNAH MOLLER MASTER UNDER ARREST

Tokyo, Yesterday.

The Japanese water police at Duroran, a seaport of the Japanese island of Hokkaido, have arrested the captain, two British and four Chinese sailors of the British freighter "Hannah Moller," on suspicion of having entered a prohibited port.

The 2,931-ton steamer, owned by Moller and Co. of Shanghai, was chartered by the Dalren Steamship Company.

She called at Duroran on Thursday morning. The Japanese authorities charged the crew of having entered an unnamed prohibited Japanese port on the way from Shikogama to Duroran under the pretext of taking shelter against the weather.

The same steamer was fined 1,000 yen in the summer of 1937 for having passed prohibited waters in the Straits of Tsugaru.—Trans-Ocean.

'GERMANIA' ENDS PUBLICATION

Berlin, Yesterday.

"Germania," for many years the leading paper of German political Catholicism and organ of the former German Catholic Party, ceases publication today.

Under Chancellor Bruening and later Chancellor von Papen, "Germania" had considerable political influence.

Ex-Chancellor von Papen, who is financially interested in "Germania," published a farewell article in the final issue.—Trans-Ocean.

SINO-SOVIET RELATIONS

Chungking, Yesterday.

The Sino-Soviet Cultural Association, whose president is Sun Fo, son of Sun Yat-sen, has decided to make Madame Sun Yat-sen, widow of the founder of the Chinese Republic, Honorary President of the Association.

The Association, moreover, has decided to make preparations for establishment of a Sino-Soviet cultural academy.—Trans-Ocean.

MIRUPANU HIT BY BOMBS

London, Yesterday.

The British steamer "Mirupanu" is reported to have been badly damaged by bombs during a Nationalist air raid on Valencia yesterday morning.

The ship is of 2,639 tons and the home port is Glasgow.—Trans-Ocean.



Her Majesty the Queen gave a Christmas party for Princess Elizabeth and Margaret Rose at Buckingham Palace on December 14, on the occasion of His Majesty's birthday. It was attended by many friends of the Princesses and the Duchess of Kent's two children, Prince Edward and Princess Alexandra. Photo shows a close-up of the Duchess of Kent and little Prince Edward leaving Belgrave Square for the party.

NEW YEAR'S EVE DANCE AT K.C.C.

By far the most successful of the Kowloon Cricket Club's social functions was the Fancy Dress dance held last night, attended by one of the largest crowds at any of the club's functions.

The dance hall was crowded from an early hour and right into the early hours of the morning. The strains of music supplied by the band of the Royal Scots. The only interruption being to usher in the New Year, in traditional style.

The originality of the fancy dresses and the myriads of colours added to the gaiety of the evening and it was indeed, a difficult task for the judges in deciding the winners.

The prize for the best dress for ladies was won by Miss Leida Efnios as "Night" while Mr. W. W. Hirst as "Henry VIII" won the gentlemen's prize.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Smith as Mickey and Minnie Mouse were awarded the prizes for the most comical costumes.

Mention must be made of Mr. A. Gillard, who came as Neville Chamberlain. His makeup being very good and he must have been near the winner in the judging.

As usual the Lambeth Walk was well in demand and the "OI" went more vociferous than usual. Dancing was continued until the small hours.

NEW SOVIET TITLE OF HONOUR

Moscow, Yesterday.

The Supreme Council of Peoples' Commissars, according to an official announcement, has started a new title of honour, "Hero of Socialist Labour," to be awarded for special achievements in the field of economics and cultural development.

The new title will be conferred by the Supreme Council simultaneously with the Order of Lenin.

The Supreme Council has also created a new medal "for industrial bravery."—Trans-Ocean.

JAN MASARYK TO LECTURE IN U.S.

London, Yesterday.

The former Czechoslovak Minister in London, Jan Masaryk, son of the first President of Czechoslovakia, left London yesterday to board the S. S. Washington for the United States, where he will make a lecture tour.—Trans-Ocean.

KONOYE IN CHINA CONFERENCE

Tokyo, Yesterday.

The Premier, Prince Kono, had important conversations with several leading political personalities yesterday, the main topic of which is said to have been the policy to be pursued by Japan on the basis of the Premier's recent declaration concerning Japanese aims in China.

According to information, final decisions concerning Japan's future policy will be taken at a Cabinet Council scheduled to be held on January 6, which will be confronted with the task of "intensification" of that policy.—Trans-Ocean.

HUNGARIAN AMNESTY FOR CZECHS

Budapest, Yesterday.

The Hungarian Regent, Admiral von Horthy, to-day decreed a general amnesty for all Czechoslovak citizens and all persons of Czech, Slovak and Ukrainian blood who were sentenced for political offences by Hungarian civil or military courts.

The preamble to the document announcing the amnesty points out that the measure was taken in accordance with the amnesty agreement between Hungary and Czechoslovakia, and stresses that Hungary is animated by a wish to arrive at good neighbourly relations with Czechoslovakia.—Trans-Ocean.

DRASTIC CUTS IN LEAGUE COSTS

Geneva, Yesterday.

Drastic cuts in League of Nations expenditure for the coming year are recommended by the League's budgetary economy committee, which states that the budget will have to be cut by \$27,000.

The committee also states that the system of fifteen autonomous League departments is uneconomical.

It recommends that they be formed into three groups — politics, disarmament and minorities — economics and finance — and social and hygienic problems.—Reuter.

LONDON SILVER MARKET

London, Yesterday.

London silver prices to-day were up 1/16 for Spot and unchanged for Forward as follows:

	Dec. 30	Dec. 31
Spot	20	20-1/16
Forward	19-11/16	19-11/16

—Our Own Correspondent.

INADEQUATE VOLUNTEER EQUIPMENT

Sir,—"Nulli Secundus Oriente" in your issue of some weeks back and "Volunteer" have in my opinion understated the lamentable lack of proper equipment in the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps, though what they said was undoubtedly true, incredible as it may seem. I realise that it is easy to regard the possibility of any catastrophe befalling this Colony as something impossible and unreal, yet the all important fact remains that such a calamity may come. Unless the Volunteers are intended to be a vital link in the defence of this Colony, why have them? We must presume that they are intended for that very purpose and throughout the crisis in September last, the more experienced of us were fully alive to the limitations and resultant danger of our out-of-date equipment. There is no knowing what the consequences of this inefficient equipment might have been, had we at that time been compelled to help defend this Colony.

Mention has been made in your columns of the age of the Armoured Cars. Certainly these vehicles are so old and inefficient that under active service conditions they would amount to nothing more than deathtraps instead of the vitally useful weapons which modern vehicles would be. There is no Mobile Column outside the Volunteers, so it is fair to presume that this unit would play a very

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important part in any defence which might at any time be necessary. Why, therefore, must its needs be relegated to a back position and preference given to such units as the Air Arm and the Naval Volunteers? With all due respect the usefulness of these two units is problematical anyway.

The Government allowance per Volunteer for one year's training (not counting the Air Arm and the Naval Volunteers) is in the neighbourhood of HK\$140. This must include his uniform, equipment, arms, 4 days' food at Camp, food at Manoeuvres, travelling expenses, all the ammunition he fires at the various courses throughout the year; vehicles, petrol, oil, etc. How can it be possible to have a properly armed and efficient force on this ridiculous annual figure per man? Yet, I understand there is a grant of \$30,000 for the Air Arm for 1939, which unit is only composed of approximately 12 men! Even more ridiculous still, the Naval Volunteers' mess kit costs the Government approximately \$500 per man and yet there are

not enough rifles or gas-masks to go round and men would have to risk their lives in obsolete vehicles. There seems to be plenty of money for unimportant things, why not for important ones? Wouldn't rifles be more useful for repelling invaders than mess kits?

If the Government will not, or cannot, allocate enough money adequately to equip the Volunteers, then perhaps some far-seeing and conscientious private resident will do so. This could not be regarded as charity but as an essential insurance on the lives of every individual in this Colony.

In conclusion I would like to say that I have been many years in various Volunteer units throughout the world—mostly in British Colonies. Yet, in spite of the fact that, judging from present indications, Hong Kong is one of the most likely places to be menaced should war ever come, its Volunteer Defence Force is definitely the worst equipped of any of the units in which it has been my privilege to serve.

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Germany's Intention To Build Big U-Boat Fleet

HOW FAR IS REICH ACTING IN CONJUNCTION WITH ITALY?

London, Yesterday.

News of Germany's intention to expand its fleet of submarines to equal in tonnage that of Britain, has taken England completely by surprise.

Official comment is lacking, as most leading British statesmen are absent from London.

It is fully realised that the German decision is entirely in accord with the provisions of the Naval Agreement, and that it is perfectly in order, but on the other hand it is felt that the German measure is primarily directed against England.



CHRISTMAS IN BERLIN.—The entrance to the traditional Berlin Christmas Market in the Lustgarten.

ULSTER TO FOLLOW BRITISH MODEL

LONDON, TO-DAY.

AIR RAID PRECAUTIONS IN ULSTER ARE TO BE ON SIMILAR LINES AS THOSE ADOPTED IN BRITAIN, DECLARED VISCOUNT CRAIGAVON, PRIME MINISTER OF NORTHERN IRELAND, IN AN INTERVIEW IN LONDON YESTERDAY.

"A National Voluntary Register will be carried on in the same way," Lord Craigavon stated.

"However," he added, "I am only sorry it is not compulsory. I think all people would like their minds made up for them on a question of such grave importance as registering for war work."

"If a compulsory Register is decided upon in Britain, we shall decide similarly,"—Reuter.

CONTINUOUS BOMBARDMENT OF MADRID

Madrid, Yesterday.

Five were killed and 30 wounded in continuous bombardment of the city by the Nationalists from 8 o'clock last night to 1.15 this morning.

The south-eastern district of Vallescas was affected most,—Reuter.

It is argued that the decision to build apparently larger types of submarines, having a wide radius of operation, seems to be aimed at cutting off British lines of supply in the event of war.

For this reason, the demand has already been voiced in political circles for further measures in the domain of rearmament.

Apart from these considerations the question is being asked here as to how far the German step has been taken in agreement with Italy and whether it will have any repercussions on Mr. Chamberlain's intended visit to Rome.

These considerations, it must be emphasised, are put forward with the reservation that official British quarters have so far made no pronouncement on the matter.—Trans-Ocean.

DISCUSSIONS EXPECTED TO END YESTERDAY

London, Yesterday.

The British naval delegation now negotiating with the German naval authorities in Berlin, is expected to finish discussion today, and may return immediately to London by air.—Trans-Ocean.

STOLE SAUSAGES

A 33-year-old street coolie, Lam Choi, was fined \$30 or one month by Mr. T. J. Houston at the Central Magistracy yesterday, for stealing 14 sausages from a woman in Connaught Road Central.

Defendant cut the sausages from her basket.

UNEMPLOYED IN LONDON DEMONSTRATE

London, Yesterday.

On the Monument, erected in the City of London to commemorate the Great Fire of 1666, unemployed unfurled yesterday a large banner bearing an inscription to the effect that an indispensable condition for a happier New Year would be that jobless working people should no longer be condemned to starvation.

This demonstration is part of the campaign for increase of the Dole.—Trans-Ocean.

COMMUNIST CAPITAL IN CHINA BOMBED

CHUNGKING, YESTERDAY.

BELATED REPORTS FROM YENAN, IN SHENSI, THE "CHINESE COMMUNIST CAPITAL," STATE THAT THE CITY WAS RAIDED TWICE RECENTLY BY JAPANESE PLANES, RESULTING IN 1900 CASUALTIES.

The casualties were especially high, it is stated, since the city is small and without adequate defence.

It is stated that the populace of Yenani did not know the city was being raided until they sighted the Japanese aircraft above.—Reuter.

KWEILIN SUFFERS SEVERELY IN SAVAGE AIR RAID

CHUNGKING, YESTERDAY.

THE BOMBING OF KWEILIN, CAPITAL OF KWANGSI, WAS THE MOST EXTENSIVE YET INFLICTED UPON THE CITY BY THE JAPANESE, ACCORDING TO DETAILED REPORTS REACHING HERE.

Reports state that the Kwangsi Provincial Government hostel, which was the finest hotel in South-West China, was completely destroyed.

The printing offices of the "Central Daily News," and also of the "Suo Tang Pao," were badly damaged, and it is not yet known whether the two Chinese newspapers will be able to continue publication.—Reuter.

MAO TSE-TUNG RUMOUR DENIED

Chungking, Yesterday.

A rumour that Mao Tse-tung, leader of the Chinese Communist Party, had arrived in Chungking, is denied by Chinese Communist circles here.

These circles state that Mao Tse-tung is still in Yenani, in North Shensi.—Reuter.

CHINA BID FOR FRESH U.S. CREDITS

Shanghai, Yesterday.

Mr. K. P. Chen, who is now in the United States, will not return as planned in the middle of January but will stay some time longer, according to Chinese reports.

Mr. K. P. Chen, well-known as a financier and General Manager of the Shanghai Commercial and Savings Bank, should not be mistaken for Chen Kung-po who is now in Hong Kong.

Chinese reports state that the financier Chen, who flew to the United States in September has achieved four marked successes so far.

First, prolongation of the Sino-American Silver Purchasing Agreement for two years, secondly, conclusion of a twenty-five million gold dollar credit for the purchase of American trucks and gasoline, thirdly, prolongation of the Sino-American Exchange Agreement which would have expired at the end of 1938, and fourthly, a general improvement of Sino-American trade relations.

It is believed that Mr. Chen is now negotiating regarding further United States credits or loans.—Trans-Ocean.

SLOVAKS SPRING A SURPRISE

Prague, Yesterday.

The Slovak Government has surprised the public by an official announcement that a census of the Slovak population is to take place to-day.

No reason is stated for this sudden decision, but political circles believe that it is due to the desire of the Slovak Government to prove that there is no Hungarian minority within Slovak confines, and therefore no need to consider Hungarian claims in connection with the forthcoming minority legislation in Slovakia.

The census is to be carried out by the Slovak authorities assisted by the political organisation of the Hlinka Guards.

The Czechoslovak Central Government in Prague was unaware of the forthcoming census until informed of it by inquiries made by journalists.—Trans-Ocean.

LITHUANIAN MEMEL DECISION

Kovno, To-day.

The Lithuanian Governor, on the suggestion of the Memelland Government, has decided to dissolve immediately the Lithuanian state police in Memel territory.—Trans-Ocean.

The Lithuanian Government has also decided, says Reuter, to give Memellanders preference in employment as officials in Government offices in Memel, and to adopt a neutrality law, the text of which conforms to similar laws in Estonia and Latvia.

SERIOUS INFLUENZA OUTBREAK IN WARSAW

Warsaw, Yesterday.

Thirteen thousand more or less serious cases of influenza are officially reported in Warsaw.

The epidemic, which broke out in the capital and other large towns of Poland some days ago, has not yet been checked.

Physicians attribute the outbreak to the sudden change of temperature.

Whether the serious illness of Cardinal Kakovsky, Archbishop of Warsaw, is connected with the epidemic, cannot be ascertained.

Warsaw Church circles are very much alarmed in view of the serious condition of the Cardinal.—Trans-Ocean.

FRANCO DENIES LIABILITY

London, Yesterday.

General Franco, in his reply to the British Note seeking damages for bombarded British ships, is reported to have declared that such indemnification was never intended.

If British ships lying in Republican harbours of military importance were hit during bombardment, these ships had not been aimed at.—Trans-Ocean.

FRENCH SENATE PASSES BUDGET

Paris, Yesterday.

The Senate has passed the entire 1939 budget by 297 votes to 16.

It provides for State income of 66,204 million and expenditure of 66,137 million francs.

Several items were changed and have to go back to the Chamber.—Trans-Ocean.

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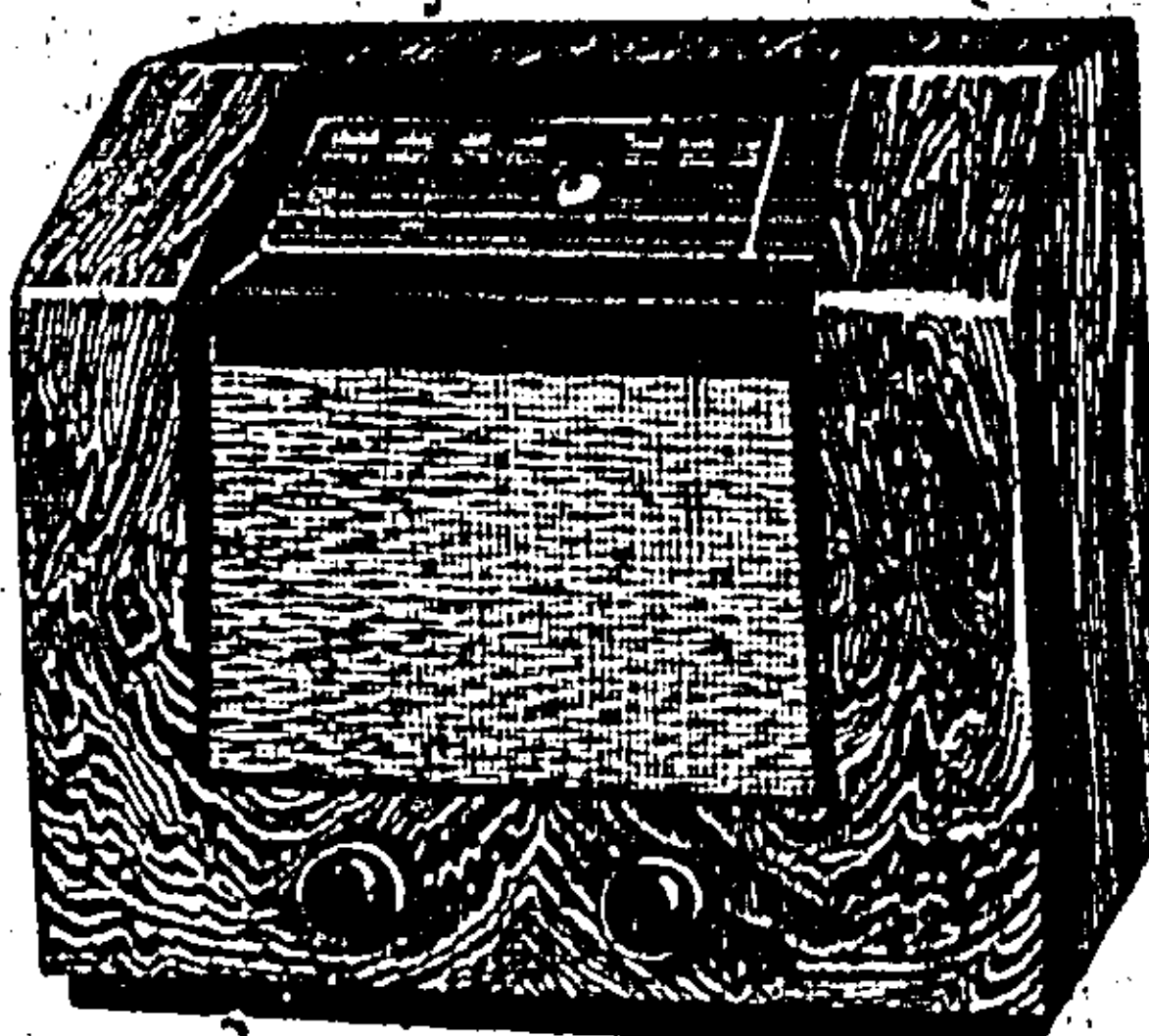
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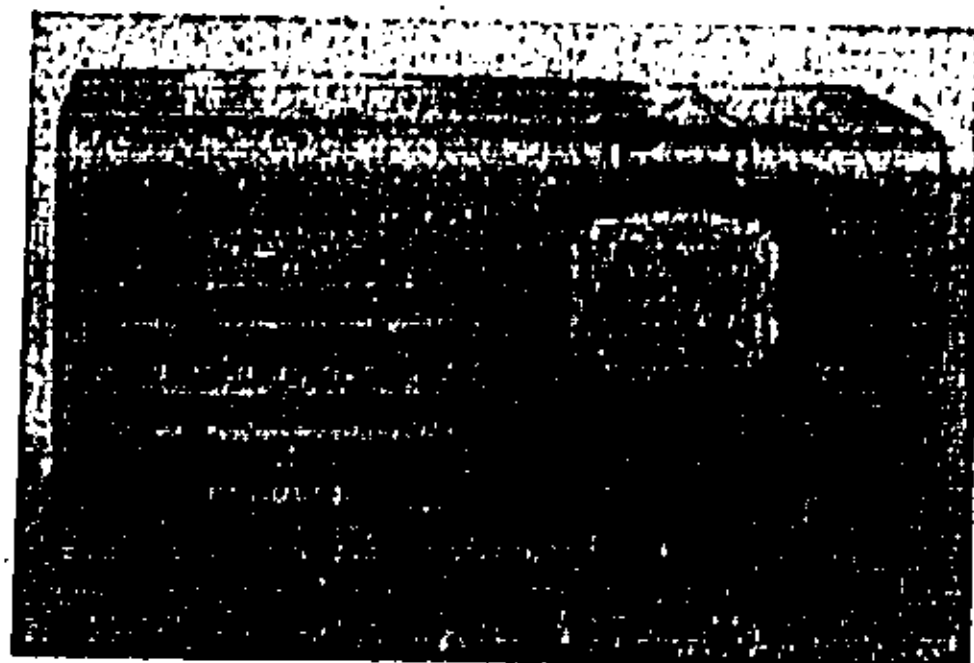


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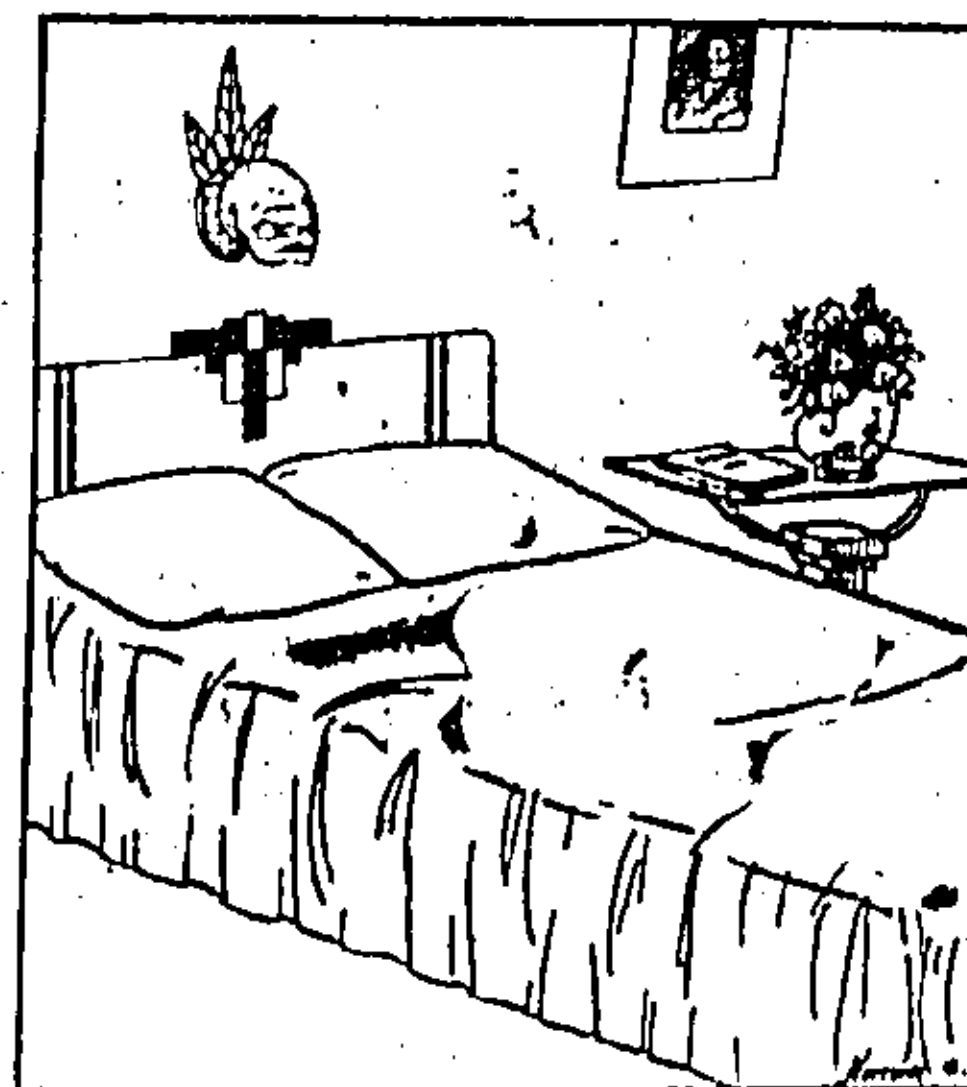
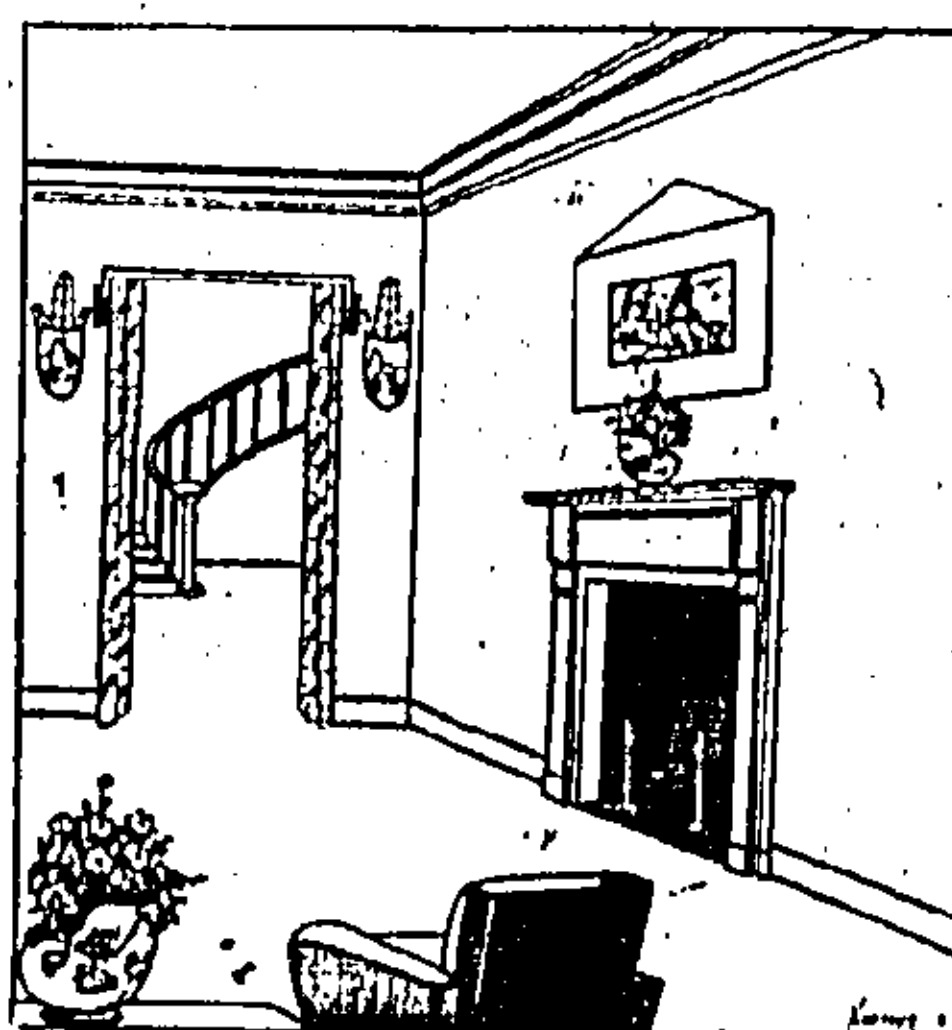
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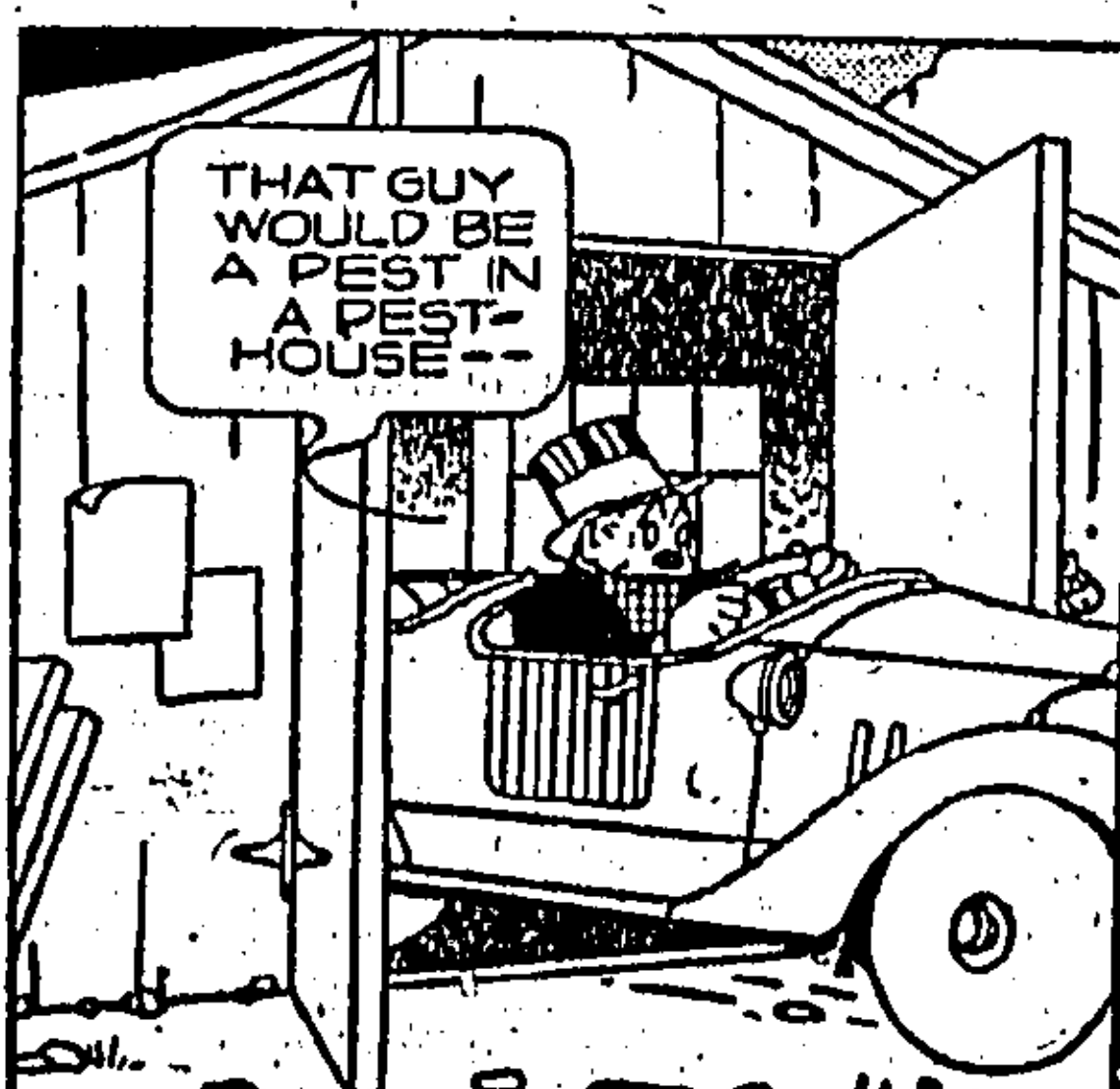
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Bringing Up Father



By George McManus

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BLACKBOARD TRADING ON LOCAL STOCK EXCHANGE

Record Of Every Share Transaction Visible To All

Innovation For The New Year Tried Out

The New Year is to witness the introduction of a striking new feature on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, the commencement of what is known in other stock exchanges throughout the world as "blackboard trading."

By means of the huge blackboard which, as the description denotes, is the essence of the innovation, a record of every share dealt with during each day and the correct current prices for the period will be there for the investing public to see, when the blackboard is in operation after the new year holiday.

The inauguration of this form of business will be exceedingly valuable to the investing public as it will do away with much of the "hush hush" business of the past, and will record the exact movements of any stock and the amount of shares done during the day.

The pulse of the market will be more readily felt in future both by dealers and brokers.

In the past, the exact number of shares of any one company in the market in any one day was rarely known, and any surmise was mere guesswork. An investor with any, 1,000 shares for disposal, might inform five or six different brokers and these unknown to each another would be in the market and thus give a wrong impression of the amount of stock on offer.

EXPERIMENTAL STAGE

The "Sunday Herald" learns that though the new blackboard will start after the holidays, it is still in the experimental stage and the regulations which will bind all members of the Exchange will be drawn up as the result of experience gained.

Alterations will be made with the object of protecting investors at all times and of giving a true indication of the market.

Though a casual glance at a properly worked "Blackboard" may seem nothing but a mass of figures, to the investor it is an open book of all that is happening in the share market.

The board, (as shown in the accompanying picture) is divided into columns showing the different shares listed.

A broker with shares to buy, writes his quotation and the initials of his Company in the left hand column of any particular share. Another broker, selling, does the same in the right hand column. Sales done are recorded in the column below with number and price.

A glance at the board at any time will thus show the buying and selling rates and the amount of business done in any shares, and if there are any further quotations for that particular share.

A great advantage is that the volume of business done can be easily seen. Yesterday morning, for instance, in spite of the fact that it was only a half day, 11,753 shares to the value of \$229,833.70 changed hands.

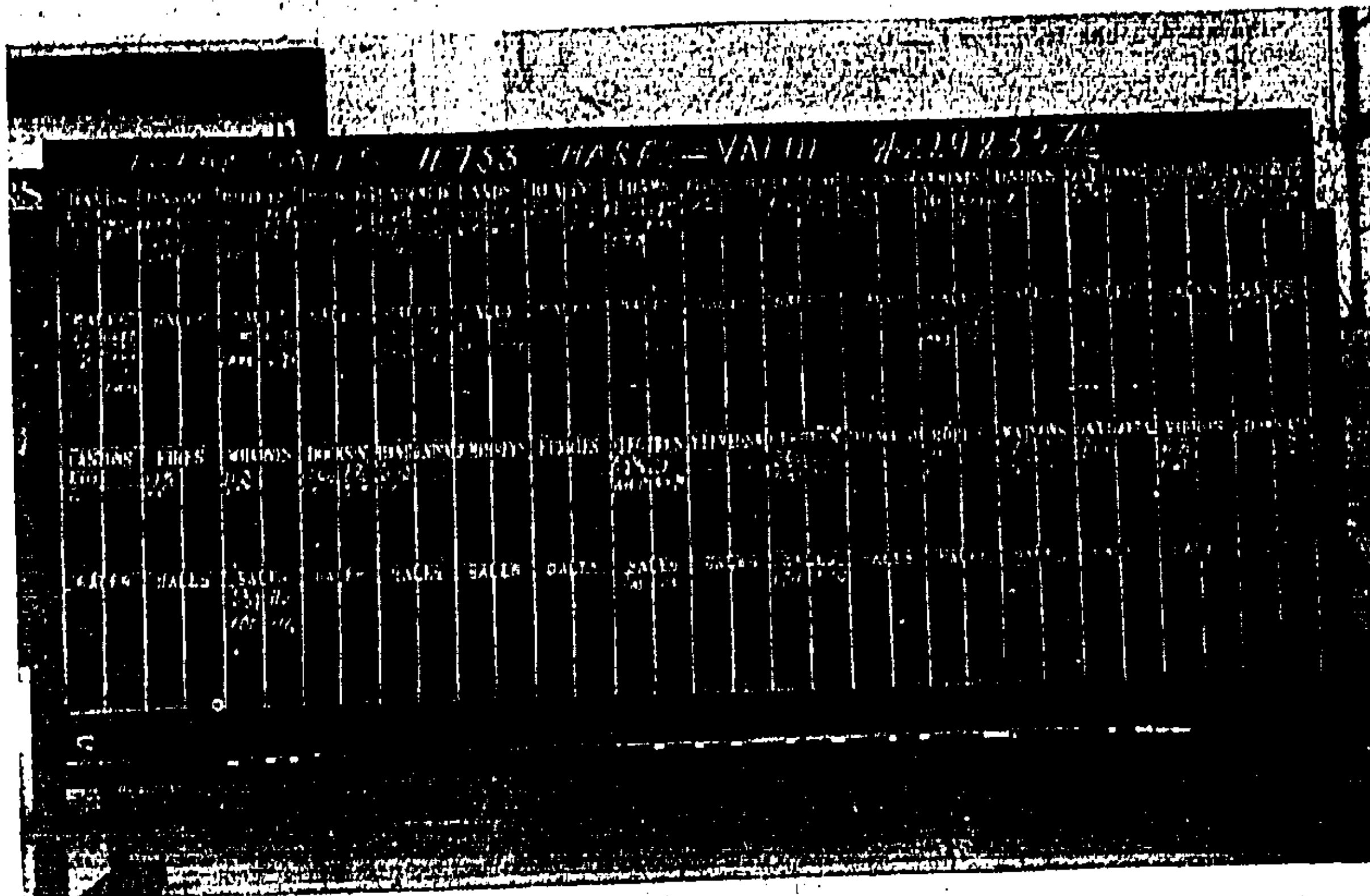
In Shanghai and Manila and other big cities all share business is done this way and its introduction here will undoubtedly be well received.

MAGISTRATE SATISFIED

"I am quite satisfied that the arms were used to protect your junk," said Mr. E. Hineworth yesterday at the Kowloon Magistracy when he imposed a \$100 fine on a junk master, Cheung Tong, who was charged with possession of unlicensed arms.

Cheung was originally charged, with possession of a 46 automatic revolver and six rounds of ammunition, and yesterday a further charge of possession of rifle and 14 rounds of ammunition was preferred.

Accused said he came to the Colony from Chinese waters on Wednesday night when he was arrested. He used the arms to protect the junk.



The Blackboard after yesterday's half-day test.

JUNK ADVENTURERS SET OUT

LOCAL LEAGUE OF PALS

Started less than two months ago the local branch of the League of Pals, an organisation which has members in 62 different countries in the world, now boasts a membership of over 60 youths, of different nationalities.

The League was founded in Yorkshire, and its aim is to bring together people of all nationalities, through correspondence and exchange of visits, promoting friendliness and brotherhood among all Nations.

Any one above 12 years of age, irrespective of religion, class, nationality, may join.

Some of the local activities of the League are the organisation of camps, hikes, cycle clubs, stamp clubs, swimming and other departments of sports, dances and other social gatherings, to encourage members to meet local and nearby fellow-members socially.

To help members to contact others locally and abroad, they are given a badge, which is recognised as the official badge of the League of Pals throughout the world.

Meetings are at present being held at No. 532 (second floor), Nathan Road, Kowloon, residence of Mr. Heider local President, but it is hoped later to establish a clubhouse.

SALT SHORTAGE THREATENING

Chungking, Yesterday. The Chinese Government is devising means to meet the present salt shortage following occupation by the Japanese of salt producing districts along the sea coast.

Hundreds of thousands of people are estimated to be depending upon Szechuen salt at the present time.

If calculated on a yearly minimum consumption of eight catties per person, the total annual consumption, it is reckoned, would amount to 11,200,000 piculs.

Szechuen, however, has hitherto been able to produce only 6,000,000 piculs a year.

Hunan, Hupeh and Kiangsi provinces, which previously obtained salt from the Hwai district in North Kiangsu, must now obtain it from Szechuen.

Szechuen must also provide salt for North Kwangsi and South Shansi provinces.

The Ministry of Finance has instructed the Szechuen Salt Administration to rush measures for increasing salt production in this province.—Router.

TUESDAY'S SALE

Dolly Varden's sale opens on Tuesday, not Monday as printed elsewhere in this issue.

ON FIVE MONTHS JOURNEY TO NEW YORK

(By A Staff Reporter)

Optimistic, very enthusiastic about their trim little craft and looking forward eagerly to five months of adventure while traversing more than half the world, a party of four Europeans, one Chinese and one Indian adventurers slipped quietly out of harbour yesterday in their specially constructed junk on the first leg of a voyage to America.

They are Capt. J. Peterson, an Australian, Capt. P. Morgenson, a Dane, Rex Purcell, an American; and H. T. Merrill, also American.

Completing the crew is a Chinese cook and an Indian boy.

When I visited the junk yesterday morning, I found the adventurers busily engaged in last-minute preparations prior to sailing.

Merrill, youthful-looking American, was busily engaged in splicing ropes and, despite his previous inexperience of the sea, doing it very efficiently.

KEEN AS MUSTARD Capt. Morgenson and Peterson were looking to their navigating instruments, while broad-shouldered Rex Purcell, a commercial aviator by profession, was tinkering with his wireless apparatus—he will be responsible for keeping in touch with the world when they get under way.

Purcell was as keen as mustard on the trip: "I have been piloting commercial planes in the Dutch East Indies and the Philippines for the last four years and would now like to give the air a rest and try my hand at the sea," he said.

"Have you been over the ship yet?" I confessed that I had not.

SURPRISES BELOW He then led me down a narrow companion-way into the main cabin. It was a surprising place in view of the apparent limited space of the vessel when viewed from outside.

Bunks were spaced along the sides, a highly polished table was set in the middle, while a Chinese altar to the fore part of the cabin and Chinese murals combined to make a pleasing setting in which utility and comfort were combined in the best features of the Orient and the Occident.

Aft of the main cabin, Capt. Peterson and Morgenson are provided with spacious accommodation in a cabin in which the precious navigation instruments are situated. "We shall be well looked after in the navigating line," Purcell told me. "We have two fully blown sea-captains who have three exultants between them. We should always know our position to the dot."

IN 20-METRE BAND Purcell and Merrill have adjacent cabins forward. The fore-cabin is fitted out as the wireless room, and, while the equipment is not elaborate or unwieldy, it appeared eminently business-like.

Purcell asked me to advise radio amateurs in Hong Kong that he would be using radio telephone on the amateur 20-metre wave-band at 14,130 kilocycles and would be on the air practically every evening between eight and ten.

75 feet in length, 20 feet in the beam, with a 65 foot mainmast, the junk is fitted with a 100 h.p. auxiliary motor.

SINGAPORE FIRST First port of call will be Singapore and then Capt. Peterson hopes to proceed to New York in time for the World Fair via Colombo, Cape of Good Hope, the African Coast, South America and then up the Gulf Stream.

The best wishes of all Hong Kong will go with the adventurers on their hazardous voyage.

YOUNG MOTHER ACCUSED AFTER TRAGEDY

The case in which a 22-year-old mother, Lau Shek-hing, is charged with the murder of her two-year-old daughter was fixed for hearing on January 5 at 2.30 p.m. by Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at Kowloon yesterday.

The young woman and her daughter were found in a semi-comatose condition in a cubicle which they rented in Shan Tung Street, Mong Kok, shortly after 5 a.m. on December 10.

They were treated at the Kowloon Hospital but the child died two hours later.

The mother is alleged to have given her daughter a dose of opium and then taken one herself, planning suicide following trouble with her husband.

FIREMAN SENT TO PRISON

Fireman No. 44, Wu Sut, and a waterworks fitter, Li Fuk, were charged before Mr. T. J. Houston at the Central Magistracy yesterday with stealing a ladies' wrist watch from No. 47, Wellington Street and receiving.

Inspector Ritchie said that during the outbreak of fire at No. 74 Wellington Street at about 3 a.m., Wu was seen by Sergeant Taylor, who was on duty, leaving No. 47. Sergeant Taylor followed him and saw second defendant, Li, walking down from Lyndhurst Terrace. They were arrested.

Both defendants pleaded not guilty.

First defendant said he picked the watch up from the stair case. As he was going to hand it over to the Superintendent, he met second defendant, and showed it to him.

Second defendant said first defendant forced something into his hand. He did not know what it was.

The owner said she put the watch on the top of an alarm clock. At about 4.40 a.m. when she went back to her room, it had disappeared.

Sergeant Taylor said he saw first defendant take something from his right-hand trousers pocket and give it to second defendant. He seized second defendant and found the watch in his possession.

It was said that first defendant, Wu, had been employed in the Fire Brigade for eight years and had a good record.

Second defendant, Li, had been a fitter in the P.W.D. for 23 years. His Worship bound him over in a personal bond of \$100 to be of good behaviour.

First defendant was sentenced to three months' hard labour.

SMART WORK BY CONSTABLE

A Chinese constable, D74, was commended by Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at Kowloon yesterday when he appeared in a case in which Lau So, 24, was charged with snatching a pair of gold earrings from a 57-year-old woman in Jordan Road.

The constable, said Inspector Wright, was travelling on a bus but hearing the alarm, alighted and arrested defendant.

CHARGED WITH DESERTION

Charged with desertion from the Police Force, Tsang Nam, 22, was fined \$50, or six weeks' hard labour, by Mr. T. J. Houston at the Central Magistracy yesterday.

Defendant was employed as a constable on a five years' contract in 1937, but absconded on September 24.

Defendant said his mother was very ill and he had to go back to the country.

PASTEURISATION OF ALL MILK SUPPLY COMPULSORY AS FROM TO-DAY

(Special To The "Sunday Herald")

Pasteurisation regulations, governing all milk sold in the Colony, come into force to-day, following Government's decision eight months ago.

To comply with the Government's decision, 28 small dairies in Kowloon and Hong Kong have been formed into one company, called the Amalgamated Dairies, Limited, and have authorised the Hong Kong Dairy Supply Company, Limited, to act as their agents, controlling the pasteurisation and distribution of their products.

The largest dairy on the mainland, the Kowloon Dairy, has also joined in the scheme.

There remain now seven independent small dairies in Hong Kong and Kowloon who have installed their own pasteurisation plants.

The Dairy Farm Company, Limited, are, of course, pasteurising and distributing their own products.

The regulations allow dairies to have milk pasteurised at one of the larger dairies with the necessary equipment.

Protection against fears expressed that pasteurisation might not be efficiently carried out is furnished in a by-law requiring that every pasteurising plant be equipped with a self-registering thermometer device which will accurately indicate and record the temperature to which and the length of time for which the pasteurised milk has been heated.

All such records are to be kept for at least two months and are available for inspection by any Health Officer or Food Officer.

COLONY'S NEW LABOUR OFFICER

(Special to the "Sunday Herald")

Mr. H. R. Butters, the Colony's first Labour Officer, who was appointed to the newly-created post last month, will personally visit all factories and workshops this month.

Interviewed yesterday, Mr. Butters said that owing to the Chung Hwa Book Factory "strike" which was only settled last Tuesday, he had been unable to find time to inquire closely into labour conditions in the Colony since he took up the post.

However, during the next few weeks, he will personally visit and inspect conditions prevailing in different factories and workshops, which it is estimated are well over 850.

Mr. Butters will also inspect the mines in the New Territories.

Regarding child-labour, Mr. Butters was of the opinion that it was not a general practice in factories and other workshops to employ children, and added that children are found working in factories only in isolated cases.

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LITTLE NOTES of Great Importance

by Editor

A dress for Zorina to dance in, for a debutante to wear in, for any one to capitalize fragility in, comes in a turquoise chiffon with yards and yards of swirling skirt, and may be run to earth at MISS NAYLOR'S. We think this frock is simply heavenly with its bust-length gathered bodice, terminating at the neck halter fashion, and glittering with rhinestones and silver beads. The waist is tipped in with a banquette, and this, too, is a shimmering mass of twinkling lights. A size 12, and by far the most adorable frock we have seen this week. Flattering chiffons come in other styles and colours as well. Next to the turquoise we advocate a blue with decollete shirred bodice, rhinestone shoulder straps, and rhinestones arranged in loops trimming the skirt midway between the waist and floor. Scintillating paillettes make their appearance on several of these newest evening arrivals, and we point to a neck model in royal blue crepe with its heart-shaped braided bodice of gleaming gold. Open for business to-morrow.



Searching vainly for The Lambeth Walk. If you have ever found yourself in this predicament, it's time you knew that the PETER MUSIC COMPANY are breaking all sales records with that particular number. So great has been the demand for this popular dance record, that they have recently got in a whole new stock. Look for it among the new series of Pathe recordings. Complete record catalogues are printed by this firm each month for the convenience of people who like to be kept posted as to what is new. These will be sent out on request and include all releases by Victor, Brunswick, Pathe, Decca, Columbia and Rex. Records may also be taken out on approval, and the PETER MUSIC COMPANY'S prices are at least 10 per cent. lower than most. You'll find this enterprising firm at 30-32 Des Voeux Road, and you'll find, too, that they are dealers in all sort of musical instruments including Zenith radios.

If your mind is dwelling on a new hat, it is a solace to know that you can probably find the hat of your dreams at EXCELSA for 50 per cent. less than you would normally have to pay. Starting to-morrow every hat in the shop will be given a price tag below \$10, which is exactly half the original cost. These hats are all natives of America and are either veiled, feathered or be-ribboned. We noticed a trio in London Tan which should bring joy to the heart of every weary shopper who has ever spent hours of fruitless searching for that particular shade. We noticed, too, a perky tricorne with its three-cornered brim wrapped in chenille dotted veiling, an idea which is not incorporated in many hats of the tricorne type. A doll hat in navy shoots colourful ostrich plumes into the air, and hats of the strictly sports type come in many colours. A little green with wide ribbon trimming in a warm shade of rust, is what took our fancy in the latter group. 188 Nathan Road.

Anyone with a picture problem should take it to the Camera Exchange Service, 1 Middle Road, Kowloon. Here expert advice is given free to all who seek it, and special attention is paid to developing and printing. It is really amazing what they can do to bring out the best in your negatives. You'll think it is due to your own cleverness, but we've seen them change a poor film into something nearly approaching a masterpiece. But that is only one of the many branches of their service. Another is to take in exchange a camera with which you are not satisfied, and provide one against which you will never have any complaint. Row upon row of new and second-hand cameras are stocked by them, and you can take your choice from any one. Whether new or second hand, every camera is in perfect working condition, and prices are lower than most. If you make this place your headquarters, we feel you'll never regret it.

One of the pleasantest shocks for bargain hunters this week is the price slashing sale which commences at DOLLY VARDEN'S to-morrow. A peep behind scenes convinces us that no woman should miss this event for many an evening, afternoon and day frock has had its price knocked down to \$20.50 and \$18.50, and in all cases there is a 50 per cent. reduction. This tremendous cut in prices applies not only to gowns, but to every single item in the shop. Since evening frocks are most in demand at this time of the year, we will give you some idea as to what you can get for the prices mentioned. To begin with we were amazed to note that frocks, with long evening coats to match, were included in this batch. A white moire taffeta, with black moire coat first drew our attention to this fact. Later we were to check up on at least two others similarly provided. Those exquisite hostess coats which caused such a stir on their arrival last week are now going begging at \$18.50, and before the fact slips our mind, there is a special rack marked \$12.50 at which you'll find several good-looking day and afternoon frocks.

If you are one of those housewives who must rely upon the dealer's say-so when purchasing footstuffs, take your custom to THE ASIA COMPANY in Des Voeux Road. Here is a firm that can be relied upon to supply you with only the best... the best of cuts, the best of imported fruits and vegetables, and the best of imported canned products. And when they offer "special bargains" you can be sure the goods are not the perishable last-thing-on-Saturday-night kind that must be disposed of for no good reason. They have a reputation to keep up—and they keep it up by giving you a good buy to help you to fare well. In addition to that, they give you service and what, to our mind, is even more important, their prices are low. For quality at less cost... remember this firm. They serve you right!

Heads will turn, eyes will follow you when you wear a crinoline like the one we ran to earth at MRS. WILLY'S. This alluring frock combines femininity with sophistication, and is flattering to old and young alike. It has a three-layer skirt that spreads for yards around, a shirred bodice that accentuates the bust, and is fashioned of stiff black net. You'll want it, and love it! In the department for furs, elegance and enchantment... femininity... are some ideas which find consummate expression in many a classic coat. One of the most youthful is a boxy coat in grey squirrel, and don't overlook the possibilities of Seal for youth. Its glossy sheen makes a lively contrast with dull wool. Its suppleness makes it docile enough for amply cut shapes, and its nominal price allows you the finest quality without straining your bank balance. Kid skin is also a nice newcomer, and aside from the foregoing, there are, of course, other furs with a special purpose in life. Room 334, Wang Hing Building, and happy hunting!

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Are you a good mother? Does your child look to you as the one person in the world who can be relied upon to do the right thing? If your answer is in the affirmative then you probably have WATSON'S Worm Cakes in the house, but if not, then this paragraph is intended for you. Worms are very troublesome to some children, setting up irritation of the intestinal canal they infect, and working much constitutional mischief if not extirpated. You can generally tell by these symptoms if your child has worms: a grinding of teeth, itching of the nose, irritation of the rectum, and a very irregular appetite. WATSON'S Worm Cakes will not only remedy the situation in no time at all, but is also presented in an attractive sweet form, thus making it very acceptable to children. Manufactured from the finest ingredients, and sold at a rock-bottom price.

PRIVATE FACES IN PUBLIC PLACES

Top Button

WILBUR S. STEVENS is tall, lean, has a scholarly stoop, and shrewd brown eyes. A psychologist by profession, he's the author of several slim books with tonic titles that range from "How to Win Friends" to "Selling The Customer." Mr. Stevens looks at the average man and is not impressed. "I see failure to acquire all sorts of abilities which would be enormous assets; I see lost drive; incompetence, fifty per cent achievement," he told us.

"WHAT'S the cure?" we enquired. "People should get wise to themselves. Too many are inclined to believe that ability cannot be learned, whereas all scientific knowledge points in the opposite direction," he said. "Expound further," we said. "Well," replied Mr. Stevens, "to begin with men of genius are not geniuses from the start. They are only geniuses because they are able to make themselves great. They change. They are swift and able learners. They treat problems as challenges rather than as terrors. They attack and overcome their weaknesses. They make every scrap of ability and power count to the limit."

"QUITE," we interposed, "but to our personal knowledge, there are at least three men who do as you suggest and despite all their striving remain mediocrities." "Everything," said Mr. Stevens, impressively, "depends on how you go about it. One of the most valuable discoveries of the Psychologist in the field of human behaviour is that mere repetition is not learning. Practice makes perfect is an old saw which modern observation has proved to be almost entirely false. Yet you still hear people quoting it as if it were the final answer to success."

"SURELY, if one wants to improve one must practice," we said. "Certainly," replied Mr. Stevens. "If you want to be a good golfer, play lots of golf. Yet if you are in the ha-

bit of slicing your drives, repetition will merely repeat the performance without correcting it. Your game stays about the same year after year. In your case, although you must meet many people, you still persist in twiddling with the top button of your coat; a mannerism," added Mr. Stevens, with a twinkle in his eye, "that distracts the attention of your subject and reveals to me, that you are nervous."



Miss Lucille Chung, of Shanghai, was married to Mr. Albert Chan, manager of Express Traders Hong Kong on December 21 at the Community Church, Shanghai, when the above picture was taken. (Bann's Studio).

WE picked up a spoon. "We should like to brank the habit," we said, "but short of snipping it off—Now, that's just the point where the average man falls down," interrupted Mr. Stevens. "He fails to distinguish between the wish and the will to do a thing. You wish to stop fiddling with your button; but to wish to stop is diffuse; the will to stop is concentrated and specific. In the same way the wish to learn means that a person repeats a thing again and again hoping for something to happen. The will to learn means that the person digs down, analyses, tries to find out exactly what is wrong and exactly put it right. The number of times you try to perfect a skill is unimportant. The real test is the intelligence with which you try, and still more important all that you yourself discover from the attempt."

IN the button example, you I should think before you allow your hand to move. An-

alyze as much as possible the action. . . . We nodded. Mr. Stevens was playing with the salt.

The Wandering Jew

WE can't introduce him to you. To do so would mean that his parents in Elbing, East Prussia, might pay for the introduction if not with their

There, I had relatives who smuggled me out of Germany to France. Up to then it was comparatively easy—my troubles started when I left France for

to take me a month's hard going by dog team to make. But it's more fun slushing along over packed snow, for all the time and energy you save."

Palestine and was refused admission. I had to go on to South Africa, where I was allowed to stop for three months. From there I went to Portuguese East Africa and found that although I could remain as long as I wished, I was not permitted to work. After two months my funds were exhausted, and I tramped across the Karoo bush to Johannesburg. Here I managed to evade the Police and get a job. I stopped in Johannesburg for two years and was just beginning to find my feet, when I was discovered and ordered to leave the country. Luckily, I had managed to save a few pounds, and was able to buy a steamer ticket to Shanghai. In Shanghai I built up a flourishing little business from nothing, and then the war came along and I had to shut up shop. So I came to Hong Kong," he ended with a shrug.

A SIMPLE tale, interspersed with grim little anecdotes of the Chief Rabbi of Berlin having his eyes gouged out, the burning of the books in the Alexanderplatz, (this upset X who has a great reverence for literature), and sundry other hooliganisms, common to all who flee Terror, Nazi and otherwise. The only difference is that X who now speaks perfect English, is on the point of starting a business which will bring him in more money than most of us earn. Which sets us wondering just how great Germany would become if Hitler replaced Streicher with Rosenblum.

Reindeer King

CARL Lomen hails from the icy North. A native of Nome, his father went there in the first gold rush days; three years later sent for the family. "I guess Dad never meant to stop," Carl, a six foot blonde giant, told us. "We went in for gold and stayed to trade." That was thirty years ago, when Alaskans did their travelling by dog team. "Still do for short hauls," said Carl, "but everything else is pretty well



Cynthia Silver, one of the fairies in "Cinderella."

the countless young men whom Jew-baiter Streicher has made, literally, a wandering Jew.



Rosalind Silver, who also charmed in the Y. M. pants.

changed. Even the Eskimos only use dogs to places where an aeroplane couldn't get in. I use airplanes. Not long back I made a trip, Nome to Fairbanks, in under three hours, that used

CARL helped in Pero Lomen's store, until the gold bug bit him. Against his father's wish he went prospecting. One day he was on the trail. He had a small poke of gold dust with him and he wasn't thinking about anything in particular. Ahead, in a small valley, he



A recent portrait of Mr. R. Ohl, Consul for the Argentine in Hong Kong and Agent for the M.M. (Bann's Studio).

spotted something that looked like a mob milling. Drawing nearer, he saw it was a large herd of reindeer. "I'll never forget how I felt," he said, a faraway look in his clear blue eyes. "I knew I had to own a herd of reindeer."

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Change In Palestine?

By Viscount
Samuel

British High
Commissioner For
Palestine, 1920-25

The troubled history of Palestine is once more entering on a fresh phase. One policy after another has been adopted in rapid succession, each to be discarded in turn. Three years ago the British Government attempted to establish self-government there; to set up a Legislative Council, which would represent both Arabs and Jews and take a large share in the administration of the country. The attempt failed. The Jews opposed it, as they held that the constitution would be weighted against them. In both Houses of the Parliament at Westminster the scheme was subjected to general criticism. It was dropped.

Disturbances broke out in Palestine, and two years ago a Royal Commission was sent to inquire into the whole situation, and to make recommendations. The inquiry was prolonged, and the recommendations were unanimous. The Commission came to the conclusion that it was hopeless to expect the Jews and the Arabs to live together under the same government, and that the only solution was to divide the country. They proposed the creation, within the tiny area of Palestine, of a Jewish State and an Arab State, with a British enclave, to include the Holy Places, in between; there was to be continued British control over the port of Haifa and other towns. The Government—eager for a solution of some kind, anxious to show promptness and firmness—at once accepted the plan; they declared that they would immediately carry it out. But that policy proved also to be mistaken and that undertaking to be impossible.

Neither the Royal Commission nor the Government had consulted the chief parties concerned before reaching their decision. The Arabs and the Jews of Palestine are two intelligent communities, politically-minded in a high degree. Their future fortunes, perhaps for generations, were at stake. It was a profound error to declare a policy without ascertaining their views. The whole Arab population at once gave voice to a vehement opposition to partition. The Jews hesitated; they asked for better conditions; a majority were inclined to accept. The British Parliament agreed to the Government proposals; one other member and myself were the only speakers in the debate who definitely opposed it. In the House of Commons there

the Conference have been accepted by Egypt, Saudi Arabia, Iraq and Trans-Jordan. But Syria and the Lebanon, being in the sphere of influence of France, are not participating. The Jewish Agency has accepted. Steps are being taken to secure as complete a representation of all sections of the Palestinian Arabs as possible. The Conference is to meet in the middle of January.

Will this new approach lead to a better result? Very possibly it may. Proposals on a basis of compromise have been made from various quarters. The Arabs say that Jewish immigration must be stopped altogether. To most impartial observers that seems an unreasonable claim. The Jews say that immigration should be unlimited—so long as livelihoods are to be found. Many think that, as the price of peace, this claim also must be abated, in spite of the pressure to find homes for refugees from the cruel persecution in Central Europe. Other points arise, on which agreement might be easier. If there is a will to settle a way may be found.

Certainly the Jews wish for a settlement. They want tranquility; an opportunity to develop, in security and peace, the remarkable work which they have achieved in the last twenty years. The Arabs—or at least large part of them—also want a settlement. Many Arabs have been killed in the fighting; a number of their leaders have been assassinated—not by Jews, nor of course by the British, but by terrorists who were also Arabs. The troubles have brought many to ruin.

The British naturally are eager to promote a settlement. The events of these years have been injurious to British prestige, and to the strategic interests of the Empire. They know it to be untrue that the Jewish immigration has driven the Arabs out. Since the end of the War the Jewish population of Palestine has increased by 350,000. In the same period the Arab population has increased by just the same number. Jewish developments have not restricted, but enlarged Arab opportunities. And we know it to be untrue that the two races cannot live side by side in peace; since for eight years—from 1921 to 1929—there, was in fact peace. The country was tranquil and prospered; and what has been once may be again. While it would be rash to express any confident expectation, I am not without hope that next year there may at last be a turn for the better.

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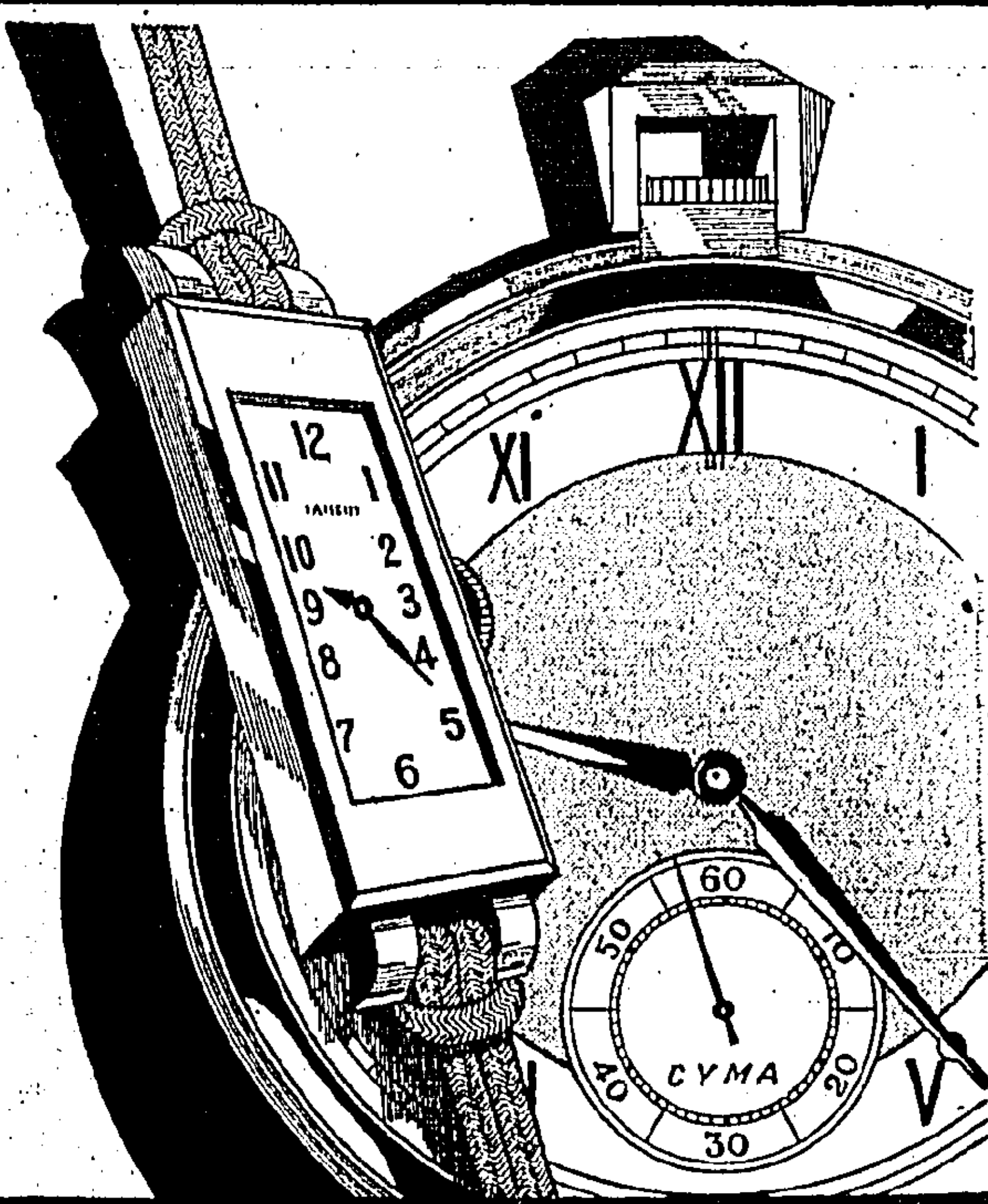
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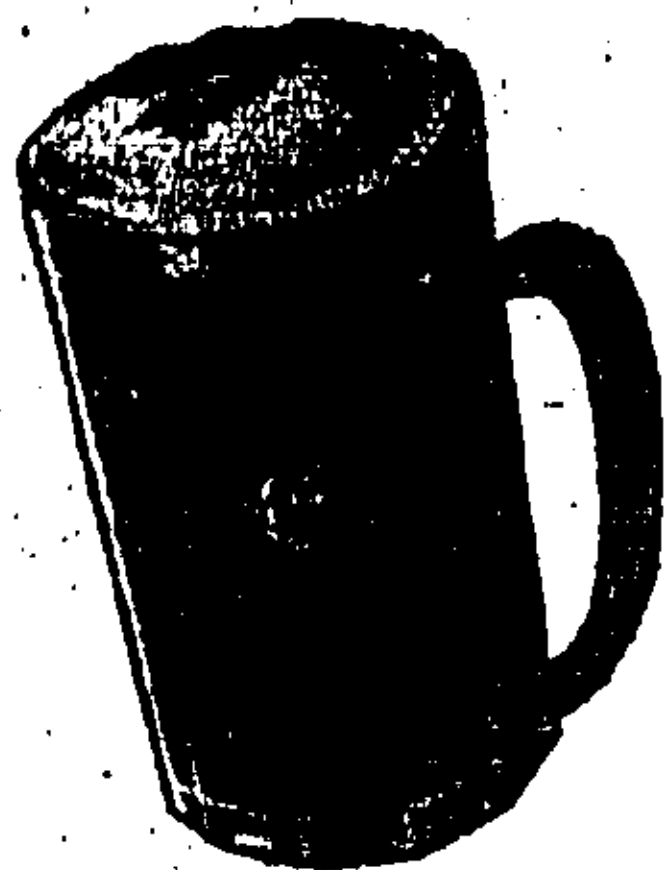
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OMEN TO THE PROLOGUE

Mr. Vernon Bartlett's prophecy that Japan will be forced to abandon her dream of conquering Cathay is the kind of prognostication which is admirably suited to the season. Made on the eve of 1939, it warms the hearts of merchants, bankers, brokers, and their employees, who on the face of things could only expect the New Year to confirm the forebodings of the old.

Taking the rosy view and assuming that Mr. Bartlett is correct in his forecast, there is still to be faced a time lag between the return of prosperity and stagnation. It is suggested that instead of adopting a "wait and see" attitude, business men employ the "idle hours" by equipping themselves, mentally and materially, to cope with a new order.

For, make no mistake about it, whatever emerges from the struggle, the old order is caput. The new will not be that envisaged by Japan, but at the same time, we must face the fact that the days of easy profits and the pleasant camaraderie that characterised business in the Far East, are gone.

China will no longer be a rich plum to be picked at will by merchant bankers from the West, and the socially inclined taipans of Hong Kong and Shanghai must re-orientate themselves if they are to partake fully in the profits of reconstruction.

To-day service sells, and political sympathy is a poor substitute for the man who is willing to guide and supervise the use of products at the sales price of competitors who finish when the invoice is signed, even though a few months earlier he may have been on the wrong side of the political fence. This conception of business has always been woefully absent where British merchants, homeside and abroad, are concerned, and millions of pounds worth of orders have been lost for the lack of that little "extra" which foreign competitors are always willing to provide.

In many cases the business man is not wholly at fault. It is an unfortunate characteristic of our Colonial and Consular services to consider their duties apart from the economic life of the subjects they administer. Red tape, archaic ordinances, and diplomatic airs more suited to continental embassies than trading stations, are no help to the business man who must compete against nationals whose government officials are more often than not commercial travellers with diplomatic privileges.

The Governor's slogan for 1939, "Lift Up Your Hearts" does not eliminate the necessity also of girding up your loins.

LIMA CONFERENCE

THE Pan-American Conference, which was designed to set a splendid example to Europe on how to deal with questions of peace and neutrality, has drawn to a close amid general expressions of common fervour.

It was perhaps unfortunate that the Foreign Minister of Argentina should have emasculated the original proposals of the United States to such an extent that the aim of creating a solid bloc against totalitarian penetration, peaceful or otherwise, was defeated; and the resolution finally passed offered no real guarantee of common action in an emergency.

Mr. Hull's position was, inevitably, complicated by the fact that a large group of American nations are already Fascist in spirit and in sympathies, and that the United States has started late in the game of countering Nazi and Italian intrigues throughout the continent.

Mr. Hull has, however, achieved a good deal, and the jubilation sounded in Berlin reflects not so much his failure to combat pro-Nazi Conference lobbying, as satisfaction that he was unable, immediately, to scotch the game completely.

The trouble brewing in Chinese National Government circles for some weeks has come to a head—

happily, with no very great harm done. Some of the truth—but not, by any means, all of it—concerning Wang Ching-wei's sudden flight from Chungking lies self-explained in the statement issued in Hong Kong on his behalf. He has taken his stand on the side of compromise with Japan, prepared to accept the Konyo Declaration of December 22—made, significantly, three days after Wang's departure for Hanoi—as a basis of discussion. That in itself appears to have been an act of desperation, for solid Chinese opinion agrees with Chiang Kai-shek's summing-up: That better terms were obtainable before the war began. What, asked the Generalissimo calmly, have we been fighting for?

Importance of Wang Ching-wei's defection can be over-estimated. Postponement of the December meeting of the C.E.C., Kuomintang, eliminates any idea that he left in a fit of pique. It is known, indeed, that a defeatist attitude is not a recent growth in him. His peace speech some weeks ago had carefully to be explained away. There is only one interpretation, however, to account satisfactorily for his flight and subsequent movements, that he has failed to gain adherents where it matters most. If Mr. Wang Ching-wei is prepared to risk his political future on accepting the position rejected by old Marshal Wu Pei-fu, Japan would undoubtedly welcome him generously. It can be suggested, however, that Mr. Wang, before taking any irrevocable step, should accurately assess the value of the support he may rally round him.

Mr. Wang has not chosen his moment well. He seems to have been too deeply involved in planning the course of action he has deemed it wise to adopt, to

THIS WEEK

withdraw when there came so many encouraging signs of stiffening third Power policies in the Far East, loans to China and assurances of definite aid to come. Japan, further cemented Chiang Kai-shek's position by decrees bringing the National Mobilisation Act into full effect. The Act was originally designed for other contingencies—the China "Incident" being, Tokyo, thought, much too trifling a problem to need such a step. It represents, for that reason, a confession of strain unmistakable in its meaning.

This and reversion to the policy of mass air raids on defenceless towns.

Japan, meantime, again finds herself involved in dispute with Moscow, which, more than likely, has one eye on bolstering China's resistance. Heavy Japanese troop movements in North China tell their own story. Paris has it that the Soviet has despatched substantial reinforcements to Vladivostok.

In Europe, feelers put out for another conference of the Big Four—Hitler, Mussolini, Chamberlain and Daladier—failed to catch on. Nazi opinion, plainly, is that much remains to be done before the next round-table stage is set. Italy has a cooked-up "quarrel" with France to be settled; and the only discouraging feature is that France has declined pointblank to consider Mr. Chamberlain in the role of mediator in Rome.

Truth behind the rumours of Italian troop movements in Somaliland is undiscoverable. Paris official quarters deprecated, but sent small warships and additional troops. M. Daladier changed his plans for his Corsica and Tunisia visit, and dis-

carding his naval armada, announced that he would proceed with a escort of merely two cruisers and three destroyers, least the journey be interpreted as a naval demonstration. Impression, grew that Mussolini has been shouting for much in the hope of getting something, and of, at the same time, impressing Mr. Chamberlain with a sense of Italian belligerency.

Germany, meantime, gave the Admiralty to think by invoking the "escape clause" of the Anglo-German Naval Treaty. Under pressure of "necessity," Germany claims the right to build submarines up to 100 per cent. of British submarine strength, instead of 45 per cent. Italy, in the Mediterranean, has one of the most powerful submarine fleets in the world. The connection, if any, and ascertainable, might answer numerous questions.

Relations between Germany and the United States show no signs of improvement. "The State Department has not," says an official German communique, "dissociated itself from the utterances of Mr. Ickes, but has sought to defend him." It is necessary, therefore, to say that as long as procedure of this kind, palpably serving Jewish interests while ignoring German-American interests, persists, hopes for improvement in reciprocal relationships cannot exist. Nothing needs to be added to this analysis.

France's offensive on the eve of Christmas continued to make substantial progress under the weight of its own impetus. Many important centres have fallen into Franco's hands, but the importance of the strategic gain remains, at present, somewhat obscure. Loyalist resistance, hesitating at first, has now stiffened and the counter-attack now developing in the vital sector may, too, have consequences.

SCRUTATOR.

Battle Of Ideas: By Nathaniel Micklem

Do Religion And Freedom Meet?

WHAT has religion got to do with freedom? Very little, many people would say. Look at England under the Puritans or Spain under the Roman Catholics!

The Church, they say, is a privileged corporation, the most conservative institution in the world; it has kept the minds and souls of men in bondage; it has always been the ally of the oppressor.

There is no doubt a case can be made out to support this view. But the contrary is also true. I take a single illustration from the modern world.

Where is freedom to be found in Germany to-day? Only the Christian Church has stood up to the State's totalitarian claims. Communism has been driven underground; the Social Democratic Party has been silenced; the bulwark of what we mean by freedom is the Christian Church.

History offers many more examples. When Christianity is true to itself it has been the vindicator and defender of man's liberty.

BUT what has religion to do with politics and economics? Here people often hold contradictory views at the same time. Religion, they say, has to do with the soul, if we have souls; the parson should stick to his job and not meddle in politics and things he does not understand; religion is really a luxury for those who like that kind of thing; it has nothing to do with the work-a-day world, with the political meeting or the market-place.

Then when a war comes, or social conditions become unbearable, they turn round and say that Christianity has failed or even is responsible! But they cannot have it both ways at once!

The truth is, of course, that if a man is a genuine Christian and really trying to follow Christ, it is bound to affect his whole life, though one cannot predict what political Party he will join.

One might go further and say that democracy and political freedom are impossible without the Christian spirit. Fascism and Communism have little use for freedom. Democracy depends upon mutual toleration and the love of fair play and the methods of persuasion.

The Christian spirit has really given us the freedom we have, and in the modern world it does not seem likely that, if we let our religion go, we could keep our freedom.

A GREED, perhaps, about "the Christian spirit" and the individual Christian when his Christianity is genuine; but what about the Church?

The Roman Catholic Church is accused of seeking to dominate the Senate and to control politics. That does not sound like freedom. The Church of England is accused of being subservient to the State, and that certainly is not freedom. Nonconformity is accused of having to bow down to the rich laymen who provide the funds, and no one could call that freedom.

When, therefore, we are concerned about freedom, men say, we shall not get much help from organised religion, which sometimes is the enemy of freedom and sometimes exhibits a "slave mentality"; we can leave out of account the Church.

There is some truth in these charges, but not so much as often is supposed. The Church on one side of its life is a very human institution; it is not a society that is heaven on earth as it ought to be; the Church needs repentance as much as the world. The Church has some glorious chapters in its history and some shameful chapters.

We must go back to first principles. There can be no enduring political freedom or democracy without an underlying philosophy.

THERE is no getting away from religion and theology. Every question at bottom is religious, for every question, pressed far enough, carries us back to ultimate convictions about the world and human life.

If there is no God and no future life, then, ultimately, I suppose, human life has no meaning; it is just a cheerful (or a horrible) mistake, an accident or a dream; it is, as a recent writer has put it, but a death-cry in the prison house from which sooner or later we are led out to inevitable execution; we can, of course, try to

make the cell as comfortable as possible, or try to decorate it for the next batch of victims, but it is a grim business; and it is very doubtful whether there could be an enduring political philosophy based on the view that life is ultimately meaningless.

But, if there is a God and a future life, then politics takes on new meaning. First of all, only if there is a God, can there be a universal law of Right binding upon all men and nations? Second, the meaning of social life must be derived from man's destiny; if man has a soul and an immortal destiny; there is a philosophical basis for his demand for freedom. Or, again, Fascism and freedom are incompatible, for here the individual is nothing, the Race or the State is everything, and the individual exists only for the State.

THESE three spheres, the family, the State, the Church, are quite distinct, though their interests overlap—as, for instance, in the matter of education. The three are independent, but all are subject to the universal moral law which is epitomised in the Ten Commandments.

None of the three may interfere with any of the others in its own sphere. The Church must neither dominate the State nor be dominated by it. It is the business of the State to organise the social life of man; it is not the Church's business. But the men whose life the State must organise are by nature fathers, husbands, sons. The State exceeds its task if it interferes with the natural freedom of the family.

Further, the men whom the State organises are persons with souls and an eternal destiny. The State must never regard men just as soldiers or workers or cogs in a machine; the State is not an anthill or a beehive but a fellowship of rational and spiritual beings; therefore, though organisation and even compulsion is necessary for social life, a very large measure of freedom is necessary for the rational and spiritual life of man.

Here, then, is a philosophy which justifies and necessitates freedom.

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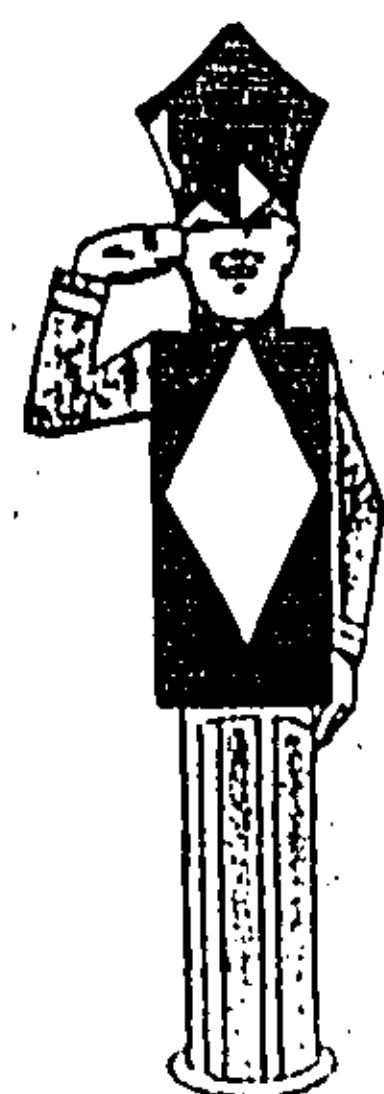
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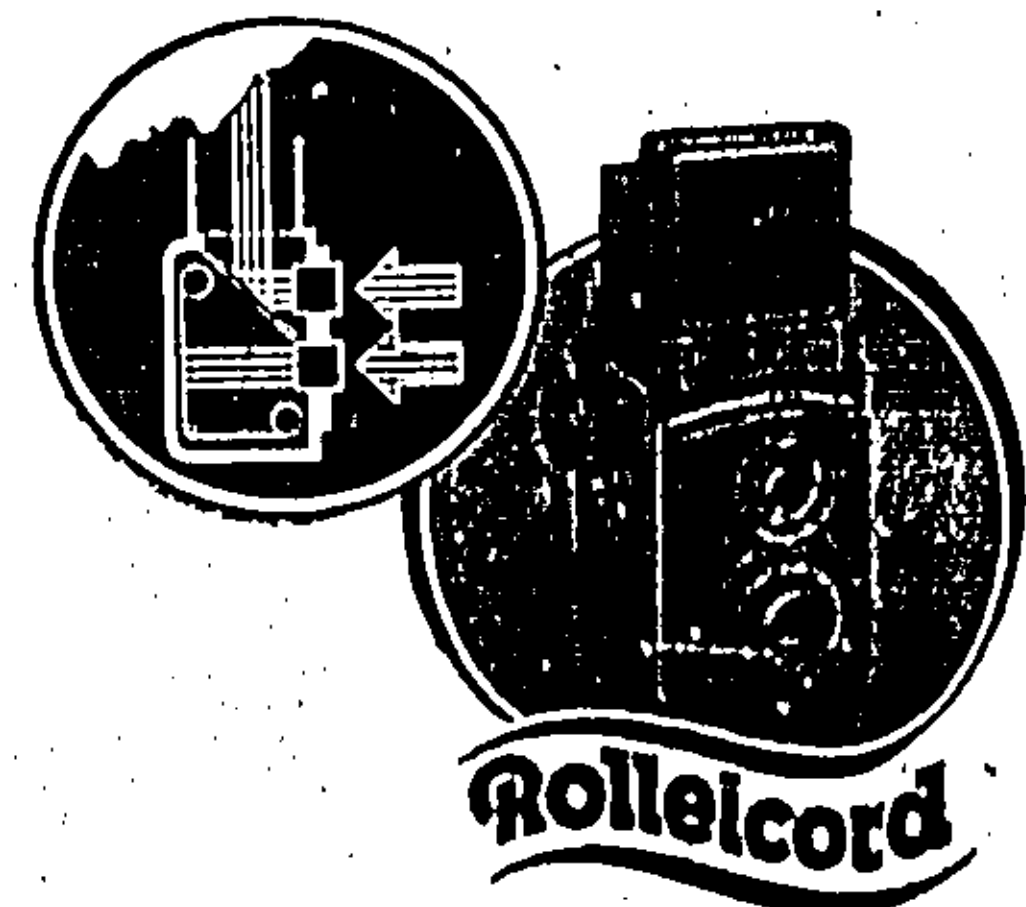


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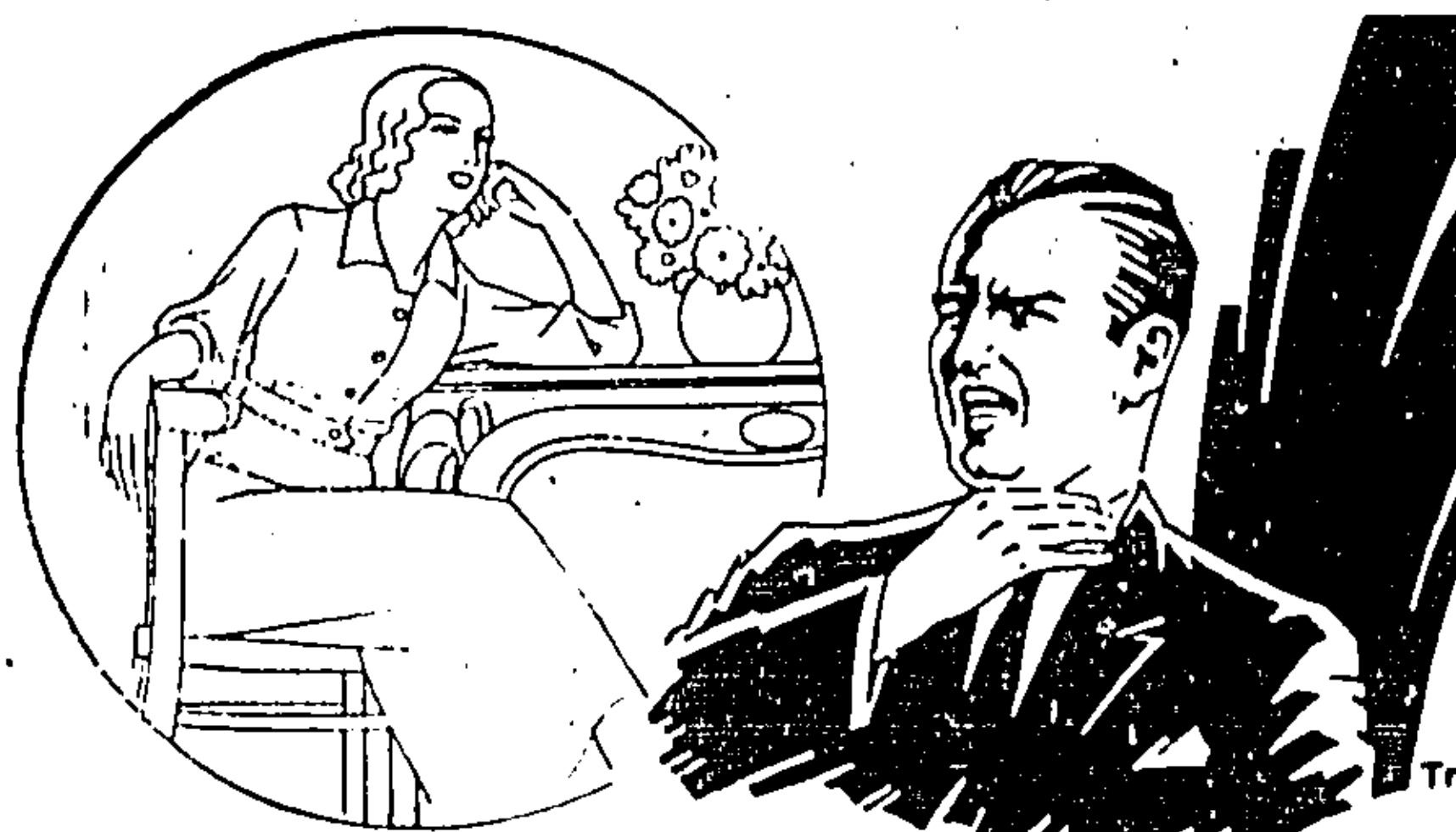
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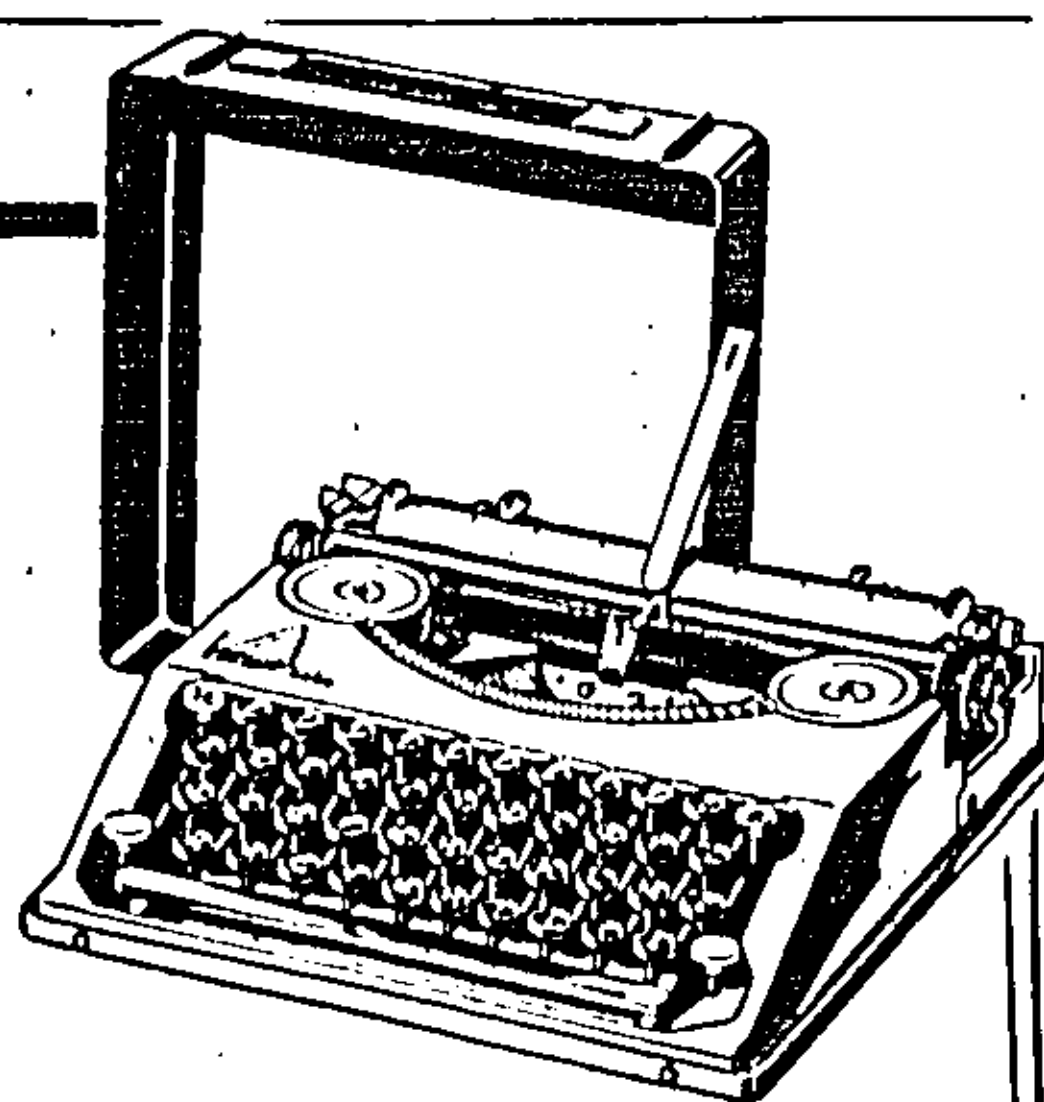
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GOING BAREFOOT

IN the East, where so many have not the wherewithal to buy shoes, it is not good to see a man or a woman going barefoot. In the West, where even the very poor have shoes, the reaction is more pleasant. You think: "Here is somebody who hasn't wholly forgotten his childhood."

By Robert Francis

MY Lithuanian neighbours are like that, especially the mother. Often during the warm season, when I stop in for a quart of milk or a dozen eggs, I find her outdoors among her vegetables and her flowers, her chickens and her grandchildren—ample and serene as Mother Nature herself. She may be wearing a kerchief over her head, but her feet are bare.

MODERN life puts many obstacles in the way of going barefoot, but it also gives us a good opportunity now and then. Wouldn't a visitor from the moon or from some remote region of the earth, seeing beautifully kept lawns, suppose that they were principally for the luxury of walking barefoot on? And isn't it a little strange that so many are content merely to look at the cool smooth green? The man who hasn't mowed his lawn barefoot in the morning, with the dew cool underfoot and the wet grass spraying against his ankles, has something to learn.

SURELY everyone at some time has walked barefoot through deep moss—the most luxurious of all barefoot experiences. Perhaps you have been travelling for miles along a forest trail, up hill or down. Suddenly the trail passes beneath spacious evergreens, where the ground is covered with soft green "hairy-cap" moss. "Carpet" is a poor word for it, for carpets are not made five or six inches deep. What a joy to throw yourself down in it, to take off

your shoes and stockings and stand in it, to stroll about in it. YET soft things are not the only good things for the foot to feel. The next place you stop to rest along the trail may be a rocky ledge from which you can look off over the valley. While you are enjoying the view and your shoes and stockings are airing in the sun, your feet will be enjoying the contact with the rough warm granite. You walk about on the rock, just to explore the sensation of roughness and hardness and massiveness. Why shouldn't the foot be familiar with the texture of pine needles, of garden soil, of seashore sand both moist and dry, yes, even of mud? The farmer who plows his field barefoot knows something about the earth that we too well-shod people do not know. And the farmer's boy who goes shoeless all day long—what a variety of impressions his feet experience: clay, loam, sand, pebbles, smooth stone wet, dry, cold, hot—all the while that we are walking on nothing but humdrum shoe-leather.

HAVING learned to go barefoot whenever we can, we might go on to recapture other simple elemental pleasures. Walking in rain, for instance. Running along a country road in cool autumn weather. Lying on one's back on the ground and looking up through tree branches. Sleeping under the stars. Watching the evolution of clouds. Playing in snow. Childish? Yes. But what better way is there for a man to relax than by being a child again? What better antidote to our too sophisticated civilisation than the barefoot boy and the barefoot man? Our play is often so serious, our games so strenuous and highly skilled, our amusements so elaborate and expensive. And, all the while, the most refreshing and satisfying pleasures are all around us to be had for the taking.

The Week's Photography

By "Shutter"

NEXT MONTH'S
SUBJECT:
'ACTION PHOTOS'

DURING the Christmas holidays I managed to get myself involved in a discussion as to whether a person selling a photograph can be debarred thereafter from entering a photographic competition as an amateur. As was to be expected the discussion latterly took the form of an argument and finished up on the respective merits of amateurs versus professionals. Fortunately, that does not concern this page.

One of the participants, who spoke as one having authority, said there was no sharp dividing line between amateurs and professionals. Photographers selling prints are not regarded as professionals unless they make a livelihood in that way or at any rate a very substantial addition to their income. No one agreed on what constituted a "substantial addition", but apart from that altogether I am inclined to agree that the occasional sale of a print does not convert an amateur into a professional.

This is the last Sunday on which entries for the "Comedy Photos" Competition will appear on this page, and next week I hope to publish the first entries for the "Action Photos" Competition. So far as ordinary subjects for speed and action pictures are concerned—football, hockey, racing and sport generally—there have been plenty of opportunities of late and I am looking forward to seeing some good entries. I should also like to see some entries of a more difficult type, such as, for example, a picture of a golf-club striking a ball, or perhaps a cup or glass breaking into smithereens at the moment of impact with the floor.

Amateurs do not require to possess elaborate equipment in order to record speed and action successfully. Admittedly, a slow shutter is a handicap, so also is the lack of an eye-level finder. In the case of the latter, however, this can easily be remedied and most amateurs are familiar with the cardboard and adhesive tape method of constructing a home-made eye-level finder. With its use, the camera is aimed like a rifle. It is easier to follow action and with a little practice this aiming can be done so unconsciously that the photographer is able to watch the action develop and pick out the best shots. If any reader would like to have the directions for making one of these finders I shall gladly supply them.

Of the final entries submitted this week I am publishing two



DOES CHOCOLATE TASTE GOOD? By O. V. Cheung.

by Mr. O. V. Cheung. Unfortunately, a number of other entries were quite unsuitable for reproduction.

CORRESPONDENCE

Sir,—Some years ago (1933) I took a foreign made camera into the U.K. You may therefore be interested in the matter.

I had bought the camera just before going to the U.K. and it was in perfect condition.

I was told by the customs officials that if I could prove possession for more than 6 months or if the camera was obviously used no duty would be charged, but in this case, as I was only recently the owner, duty would have to be paid.

On saying that I was leaving again shortly they informed me that I should state so and if I left within 6 months the duty would be refunded.

This I did and before leaving at another port four months later wrote to the customs at that port advising them when and where duty had been paid.

As I boarded the ship, two officials examined the camera to identify it and refunded me the duty in full.



"WHEN THE OUTBOARD CONKS OUT." By O. V. Cheung.

I have since taken the camera to the U.K. several times but as it is obviously used they have not charged any duty.

The duty, by the way, in 1933 was I think 50% of the value placed on it by the customs officials.

W. L. K.

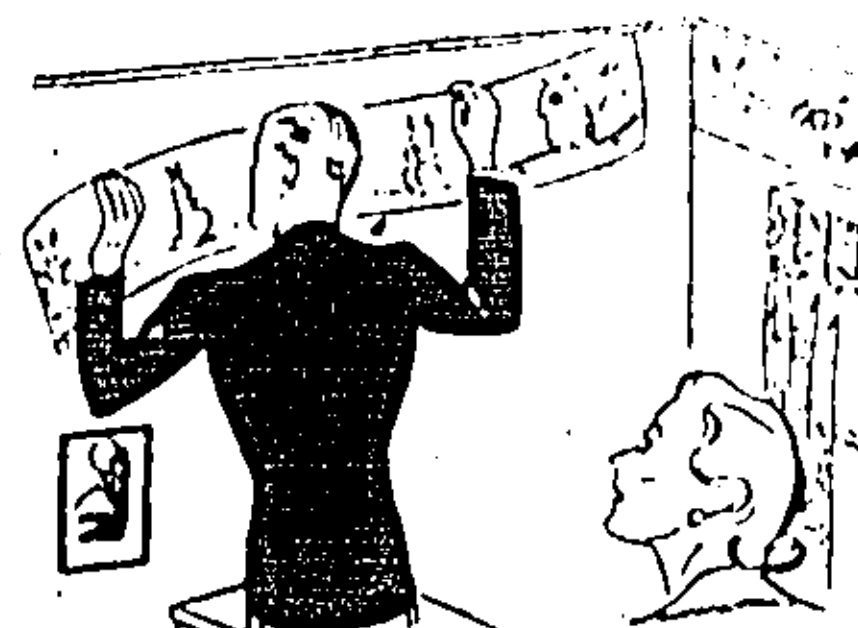
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Sunday Herald PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION

JAN.: "ACTION PHOTOS"

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Creating "Third Dimension" In Make-Up

(By Victor S. Mamak)
WHAT is "Third Dimension" in Make-Up? The answer will be "lemon" from many quarters. It is one of those rare beauty secrets which a woman should not only know but must also make use of it in her daily make-up.

Note the skin of youth. It possesses a softness and depth of colour; this is called "Third Dimension". This colour is, however, lost at a certain age—in some cases very early, while in others a little later. It is impossible to retain that transparency of the skin so clearly evident in the case of a youth.

FAMOUS portrait painters strive to obtain this effect of depth and "Third Dimension" by the simple application of a prime colour applied to the canvas before the portrait is painted. Their purpose is to have this warm "flush of youth" show through the colours of the portrait—just as the warm flush of youth shows through the skin of a youthful person.

The same flattering effect of softness and depth may also be secured in facial make-up by the simple use of a prime colour or undertone applied to the skin in the form of a powder base. For this purpose, "BEAUTIFIER", not very long ago, was presented to the Make-Up World. It is an unusual example of a modern cosmetic for modern women, yet its origin runs back several centuries to a time when all cosmetics were borrowed directly from Mother Nature. And Science has been able to make but few improvements in the original formula, which still calls for such splendid ingredients as Almond meal—Lemon juice—Honey & Almond oil. "Beautifier" is the only thing known so far, for the perfect creation of "Third Dimension" in make-up with extremely natural effect.

HERE IS HOW YOU USE IT. Obtain a jar of Colonial Dames' "Beautifier" and also Moist Rouge. This moist rouge is water-soluble—a fact which is very important for this particular make-up. Take the sponge that comes with the "Beautifier" and wet it thoroughly in cold water. Squeeze out the excess water (so it doesn't drip) and rub this firmly back and forth across the surface of the "Beautifier" until the face of the sponge has become quite saturated. Now apply the same sponge to the surface of the moist rouge to pick up just enough to give the sponge a delicate pink shade. (The selection of the shade of the rouge must be determined by the particular type of your complexion.) In this way, you tint the "Beautifier" in the sponge a very delicate shade. Then, apply this to the entire facial area, blending in a bit more colour where it is required. The rouge being water-soluble, will thus sink into the epidermis instead of merely colouring the surface, and therefore be more permanent and more natural looking.

AFTER the first application of the tinted "Beautifier", blot off the excess moisture with cleansing tissue and when the skin is about dry, blend and smooth away any trace of streaking or unevenness. The skin will now appear smooth and velvety.



It is such beauty secrets as the "Third Dimension" in make-up that make the glamorous women like Barbara Stanwyk shine like the stars above.

Now that you have applied both "Beautifier" and moist rouge and have blotted them down to dryness and invisibility, you may return again with an extra touch of Moist Rouge on the cheeks, if you desire, to "finish off" the colour texture of the skin—and again blot this at once to dryness and blend it to invisible smoothness.

FROM THE MAKE-UP DESK.

Mrs. A. P.
Wrinkles are caused by age, I am afraid there is nothing much you can do about them. If, however, they are premature, they can be removed. First locate the cause. These can be due to dryness and loss of the natural oil and moisture content of the skin—illness—worry—fatigue—eyestrain—nervous disorder—wrong facial care—lack of facial care.

However, if you are under 30,

you may use "All Purpose Cream". If over, make use of "Salon Cream". These two creams contain skin lipids which duplicate closely those present in the skin of youth, besides being rich in vitamins A and D which are very essential for the healthy condition of the skin. Try these. Miss T. R.

SOME double chins are hereditary; these are very difficult to remove, but sometimes poor posture is often the start of a double chin. Neck rotating exercises and activating the neck muscles with upthrust chin are helpful measures; also slapping or patting with the back of the hand, or patting with pads of cotton moistened with "Toning Lotion".

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SLEEP!

SLEEP! It is a gentle thing, beloved from pole to pole!" wrote Samuel Coleridge. But how many people do anything about it?

Millions climb every night into beds which are too short or too narrow. In every large city thousands sleep by twos in beds which are only 48 inches wide. Only one in four puts his new mattress on the most suitable bedspring and not one in a hundred of the new houses going up to-day utilises all that architects know about construction that favours the quality of repose.

Nor is it only in a material way that we fail to equip ourselves for superior slumber. In every other home there are bed-partners whose "sleep curves" differ, or who talk, snore, grunt and toss all over the place. Physicians find so many patients suffering from poor rest these days that the term "insomniophobia" has come into common use. In many localities chemists report a steady increase in calls for sleep-producing drugs. And very few men and women have a bedtime philosophy which carries them promptly into pleasant dreams.

So the problem is serious. The average adult spends from 60,000 to 210,000 hours in bed, depending upon his age and his habits, but he never quite attains the real secret of greater power and achievement, sleep. Ray Giles recognised that 20 years ago—that the people who "get there"

are those who learned to make the most of their hours in bed—and he's been sitting up ever since devising the perfect formula for the perfect night.

He reveals his findings in an exhaustive little book published recently, "Sleep," with 101 tips from the great and near great. Mr. Giles is convinced from his own 150,000 hours in bed that regardless of your age, physical condition or present success at slumber you can make your time in bed still more rewarding.

As matter of fact, you can't get too much fresh air on your body. A well-aired skin means a well-slept night, usually. Many people sleep in the raw. The habit is spreading. A recent survey showed that 40 per cent of the women reported they slept just as Eve did before she learned about shame. The next best thing is light, porous bedding at night, lightweight clothes by day.

Then comes the question of exercise. Morning and daytime exercise should be brisk and stimulating, says Mr. Giles, but "make your evening exercise a sedative." That is, concentrate exercise on the big muscles, and make it slow and easy. Wrestling, for instance, would be better than boxing, tossing a heavy medicine ball around is better than a rousing round of basketball.

But night snacks and night caps are something else again. Generally, the lighter they are the better. Olivia de Havilland often eats lettuce or celery at bedtime because they're such good nerve quieteners. Crackers and milk are the favourite repast for many

"The Chances Are That You Aren't Getting Enough Of It," Says Paul Friggens

talented people. To-day a growing number report that grape juice makes them sleepy. Tomato juice or orange juice ought to be as good.

Mr. Giles found that only two of hundreds of his informants used night caps and these drank beer. Authorities agree that alcohol if used in small amounts creates drowsiness, but when this state is reached, a very small additional nip may reverse the effect and the tippler may find himself stimulated rather than soothed.

Actually, however, your sleeping success goes back to your breakfast, lunch and dinner. Merely by eating more of the "natural" foods—milk, eggs, fruits and vegetables—and avoiding the overeating of meat, spices, refined sugar and highly refined grain products, your sleep will be vastly improved.

But solving the sleep problem merely beg us with the body. You must consider your house and the

size of your bed, the springs and mattresses, the sheets and pillows.

If you sleep alone your bed should be at least 39 inches wide. It should also be at least six inches longer than you are. If you sleep with another you should have a full 54-inch double bed. The sheets and blankets should tuck in well at the bottom, hang over the sides. You will find an inner spring mattress most comfortable.

Your pillows ought to be self-adjusting. Your pillow requirement depends on the size of the skull in relation to the width of your shoulders, and on your usual sleep postures.

Finally, your sleep is linked with your blues. And if you have 'em, warns Mr. Giles, shake 'em off. Never take any troubles upstairs, train the family never to "spill" bad news in the evening, and go to bed with a humble spirit.



In many homes there are bed partners whose sleep curves differ or who talk, snore, grunt and toss.

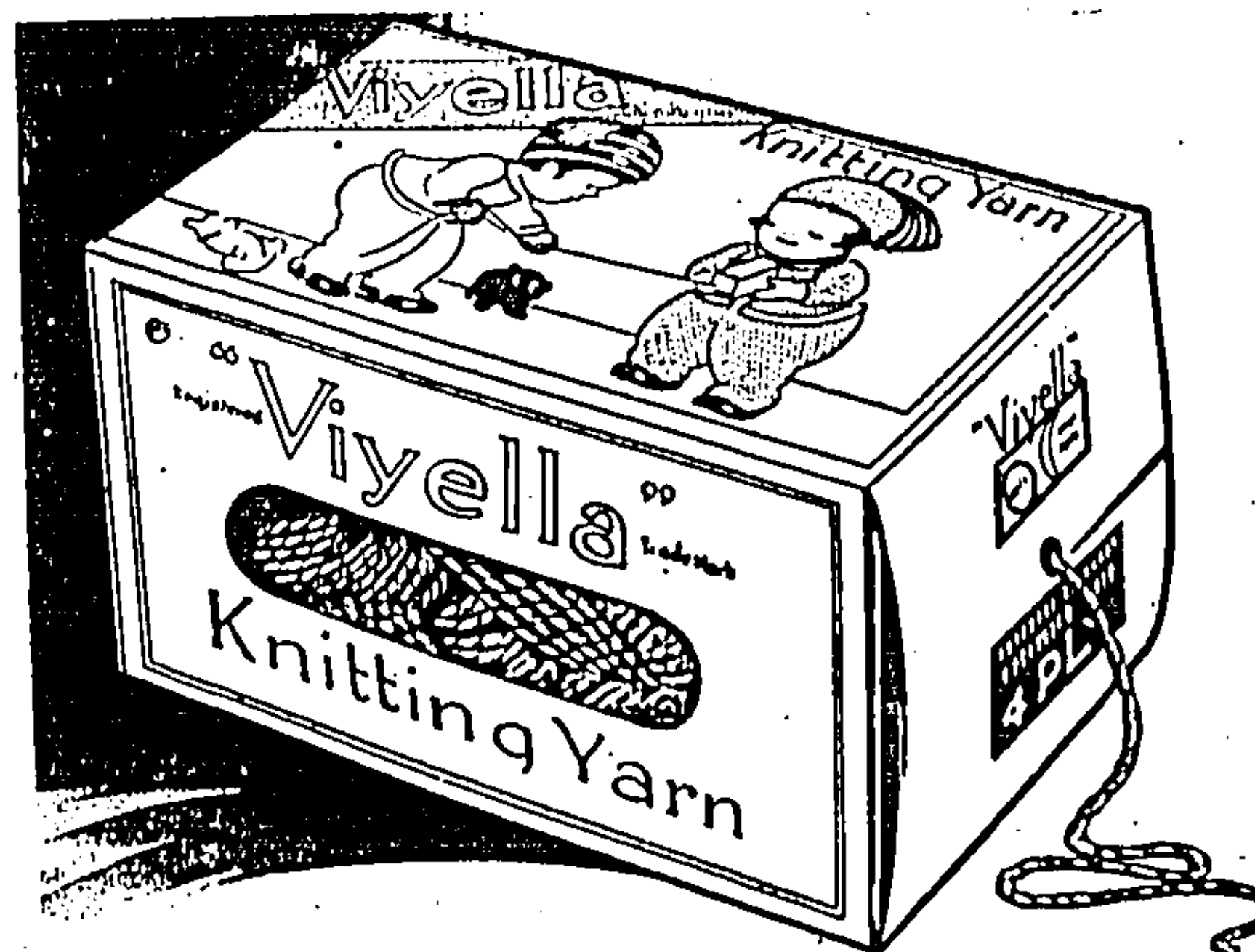
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THE ORIGINAL HITLER

NINE Englishmen out of ten, if asked to explain the success of Hitler, would give the same answer. They would say that the German people were being persecuted under the Versailles Treaty; they were suffering from a gigantic inferiority complex which the Weimar Constitution aggravated, so, of course, they would rally to the man who could resolve the complex by sweeping away Weimar and by repudiating Versailles.

This is certainly a most comforting idea, for it enables us to go on believing that Hitlerism is essentially a temporary aberration, and that Germany must soon return to her true orbit in the milky way of European liberal democracy.

"Hitlerism must be an aberration," they say, "for there is nothing German about Hitler's ideas. Are they not taken from the writings of a crazy Englishman and an unbalanced Frenchman, from Houston Stewart Chamberlain and from Gobineau?"

The answer is simply that they are not. Hitler's ideas are taken from the words of a Saxon general's son, a Dresdener who lectured to huge audiences in Freiburg, Leipzig, and Berlin at the very time when Germany was winning her victories over Denmark, Austria, and France, and attaining the height of self-confidence under Bismarck's chancellorship—at the very time, in other

words, when there was least trace of an inferiority complex among Germans. For an understanding of Hitler's ideas and of the regime which sixty-six million Germans have accepted from his hands, we must look to the works of Heinrich von Treitschke.

Treitschke's theory of the state might have come straight out of *Mein Kampf* if it had not been expounded half a century before that work was compiled. "The state," wrote Treitschke, "is Power. The essential function of the state is to make war . . .

Without war there would be no state at all. All the states known to us have arisen through wars; the protection of the citizen by arms remains the first and essential task of the state . . . War is the only remedy for ailing nations. . . . The individual must forget his own ego and feel himself a member of the whole; he must recognize what a nothing his life is in comparison with the general welfare. In that very point lies the loftiness of war, that the small man disappears entirely before the great thought of the state . . . It is precisely political idealism that demands wars, while materialism condemns them. What a perversion of morality to wish to eliminate heroism from humanity!"

To descend from the general to the particular, Hitler has followed Treitschke with the utmost fidelity in his attitude towards treaties. "A state cannot possibly bind its will for the future in respect to another state . . . Every state has as sovereign the undoubted right to declare war when it chooses, consequently every state is in the position to cancel any treaties which have been concluded. Treaties that have outlived themselves must be denounced, and new ones corresponding to the new conditions must take their place."

There is scarcely a plank in Hitler's platform that was not seen and planned by the Berlin professor who died in 1895. His attitude towards race is that of



Treitschke, who said, "The word 'adel' (noble) signifies Race, and the conception of it is founded upon a belief that personal characteristics are transmitted from generation . . . The Aryan peoples are above all things brave. They have always been men to protect with the spirit." His attitude towards women is Treitschke's. "The proper sphere of women will always be marriage and the home," wrote Treitschke. "Any person who has the welfare

Jews to have a double nationality."

The sources of Hitlerism lie not in Versailles, nor in Weimar, but in Bismarck's Germany; and for the understanding of Hitlerism we must look not to any transitory complex but to a *Weltanschauung* which was expressed with admirable clarity by the most popular teacher in Germany in the last quarter of the 19th century.

Herr Hitler is only echoing old Prussian policy. In a German Secret Official Report of March, 1913, we find pure Hitlerism:—

"Our new Army law is but an extension of the military education of the German people. Our ancestors of 1813 made greater sacrifices. It is our sacred duty to sharpen the sword which has been placed in our hands, and to hold it ready for our defence as well as to strike our enemy. The idea that our armaments are a reply to the armaments and policy of the French must be instilled into the people. Things must be so managed that under the weighty impression of powerful armaments, of considerable sacrifices, and of political tension, the outbreak of war shall be considered as a deliverance, because after it would come decades of peace and of prosperity such as those which followed 1870. . . ."

Likewise, the German Emperor's outbursts in 1914 after war had begun should not be forgotten:—

"Remember who you are. The Holy Spirit has descended on me, because I am the Emperor of the Germans. I am the instrument of the Most High. I am His sword, His representative, Woe and death to those who do not believe my mission! Let all enemies of the Germans perish. God demands their destruction, God who through me commands you to fulfil His will."

Does Hitler speak for peace? So did the German Emperor:—

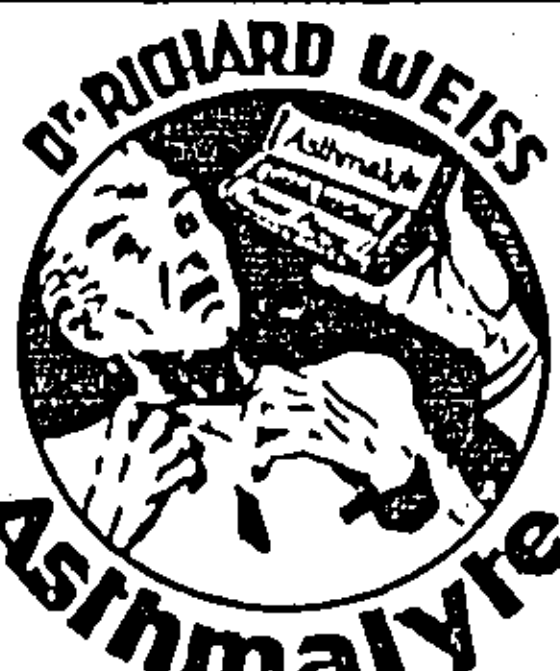
"Every German warship that is launched constitutes a fresh pledge for peace on earth. It will become less likely that our adversaries will try a fall with us, and we shall constantly become more valuable as allies."

Germany is not understandable unless her history is known.

By
J. Hampden
Jackson

of the lower classes at heart will see to it that women no longer be employed in factories at all." From Treitschke, too, comes the Hitlerite attitude towards the armed forces. "The army can have no will of its own, for it is intended to execute the will of the head of the state in unconditional obedience. If the army had a will of its own, all political security would cease." These words, part of a lecture delivered in 1892 may help to explain to a world that is still mystified by the purge of June, 1934, why Hitler had General von Schleicher killed, as well as the leaders of the Brown Shirt army who had tried to take a hand in controlling policy.

The list of Hitler's debts to Treitschke could be prolonged to a tiresome length; we must confine ourselves to but more examples which deal with aspects of Hitlerism which Englishmen have persistently refused to take as a reflection of the real will of the German people. First, anti-Semitism. Treitschke insisted on the Jewish menace to Germany in the eighteen-nineties. "Now that the Aryans have accustomed themselves to the management of money, the Jews cease to be necessary. And now all that is dangerous in this people becomes prominent, the decomposing power of a nation which assumes the mark of difficult nationalities," he said. "No nation can permit the



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Woman's Most Excellent Quality?

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"Mortality," says the Misogynist.

"A light hand for pastry," says the Glutton.

"Her fidelity," exclaims the Sentimentalist.

"Her mutability," answers the Cynic. "Her inconstancy in love, that mercifully curtails the tedium of her affections; and her inability to keep appointments which, if we are lucky, may diminish by half an hour a period during which we are supposed to entertain her with food that she does not appreciate and conversation to which she will not listen."

But Youth, dancing with impatience, thrusts the Cynic aside and cries: "Beauty is all that matters. I could forgive a woman everything if she were beautiful enough."

"You would have to," says the Cynic.

"I am chiefly grateful for her sympathy," says the Unfortunate.

"And I for her infinite variety," adds the Romantic.

"That is correct," says the Sultan. "I have seventy-eight in my harem at present, and all are different in colour, shape, or size."

"The older I grow," says Age, "the more am I impressed by her ability to give one companionship, and to satisfy one with her companionship, for perhaps as long as forty years."

"O Death, where is thy sting?" murmurs the Cynic.

NOW comes a confusion of claims; some praise women for their courage, others for their realism. Some prefer their simplicity, others their sophistication. Some like them because they have soft voices, others because they are hard boiled. And presently, during a pause in the argument, a Sailor very modestly remarks: "Well, I like a woman who likes me, and if she does like me I don't care tuppence what her complexion's like, or her character, either. But there, I'm a practical man, not a theorist."

The Sailor, however, is not really helpful, and this matter had better be decided without him. It must be treated seriously, for a woman will yield none of her secrets unless she is so treated. So let us forget both the Sailor and the Cynic, and start again.

NOW, if one wants to learn something about Brazil, for example, one reads for choice Mr. Peter Fleming, and not a school geography, because Mr. Fleming has been there and the editor of the school book has probably not. In a similar fashion, when one's aim is knowledge of the other Amazon, one naturally consults the work of a genuine explorer: and few will deny that the poet Robert Burns is qualified to speak with authority on such a subject. For he loved with a whole heart and saw with a clear eye. He sacrificed much for love, and did not regret what he suffered.



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HE listed — figure, native grace, modesty, motherwit, and the dearest charm of all the rest, a yielding sweetness of disposition and a generous warmth of heart, grateful for love on our part, and ardently glowing with a more than equal return.

One may doubt, however, the wisdom of that ultimate qualification, for a woman who is always ardently glowing with a more than equal affection is likely to become as oppressive as a crowded railway carriage with both windows shut in the height of summer. Burns was writing in romantic vein (though the tail of his letter swings back to the importance of a healthy body and a vigorous constitution) because he was addressing a lady of superior condition. He is more realistically inclined — on the same subject — when he is corresponding with another man: with Alexander Cunningham, the Edinburgh lawyer, for instance.

THERE is a letter to Cunningham, written in 1792, half full of boisterous nonsense and high spirits, that, in one of its more sober parts, answers this question as to the most excellent thing in woman with mathematical accuracy. For Burns remembers suddenly that Cunningham is not long married, and asks him, "How do you like, I mean really like, the Married Life?"

But he does not stay for Cunningham's opinion of wedlock. It is different from all that lovesick youth and sighing girls imagine, he says, but God ordained it, and he will never quarrel with His institutions. And he has formed his own opinion of what makes for married happiness:

"THE scale of Good-wifeship-I divide into ten parts: Good Nature, four; Good Sense, two; Wit, one; Personal Charms, viz. a sweet face, eloquent eyes, fine limbs, graceful carriage (I would add a fine waist, too, but that is so soon spoilt, you know), all these, one; as for the other qualities belonging to, or attending on, a Wife, such as fortune, connections, education (I mean, education extraordinary), family blood, etc., divide the two remaining degrees among them as you please; only, remember that all these minor properties must be expressed by fractions; for there is not any one of them in the aforesaid scale entitled to the dignity of an Integer."

NOW that is a realist's point of view, and a very honest admission; for only an honest realist would discover and confess that what he needed most in a wife was good nature. A genius, of course, is notoriously hard to live with, and has a good excuse for the difficulties he creates. But one may be equally difficult without any genius at all, and then the worth of a tolerant, easy wife is to be multiplied many times. Four marks for Good Nature is probably not excessive, though it leaves only one for Personal Charms, for those eloquent eyes and fine limbs that will often appear to be of more importance.

It may be suggested, however, that, with the highest marks a lesser proportion of beauty in his wife because in his contemplation of beauty he was not solely dependent on hers. In Ayrshire, as in Edinburgh, there

were other young women with eloquent eyes and a graceful carriage; and poetic license may be variously interpreted. Nothing indeed would be farther from the truth than to suppose that Burns never rated beauty higher than a poor fourth in his list; for no sooner has he told Cunningham how relatively insignificant it is, than he is relating a wayside meeting with Miss Leslie Ballie, "the most beautiful, elegant woman in the world" and how he accompanied "her and her Father's Family fifteen miles on their journey, out of pure devotion, to admire the loveliness of the works of God in such an unequalled display of them." And then, galloping home at night, he made a ballad on her, without ever mentioning her good nature, but thinking a great deal about her pretty face.

PERHAPS we may leave it at that, with the highest marks going to good humour—and with respect for a healthy appetite—but also with a decent readiness to ride fifteen miles out of our way with Bonny Leslie.

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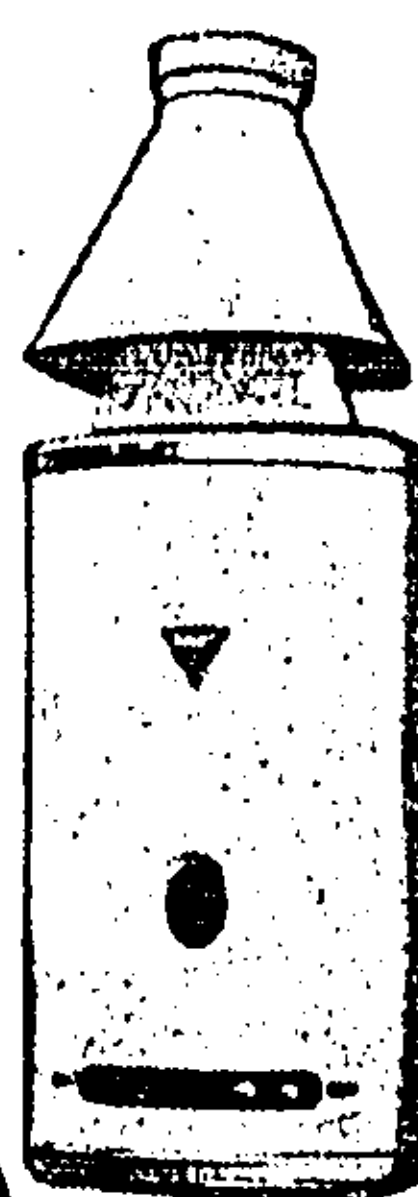
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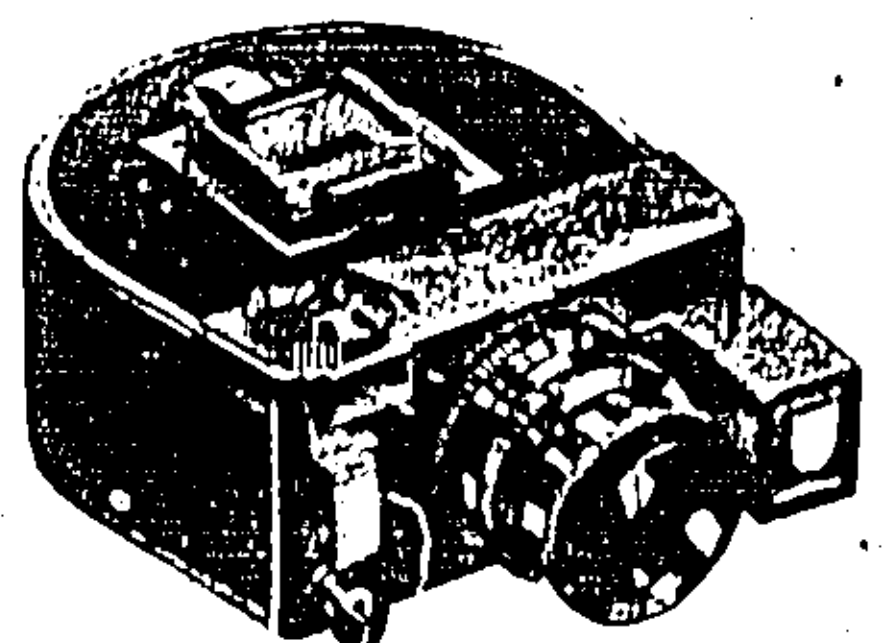


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The greatest experience, the one which shakes a soul with hopes and fears, the results of which are never-ending and, incidentally, the one which pays the biggest dividends, is to be found in the adoption of children. Go into a Children's Home and from the culls, the waifs, and strays of broken homes pick out a child. He will be more than willing to leave the insecurity of his present surroundings for the unproven security of a new home. But the new home has the glamour of the possibility of a new father and mother, and every child wants parents more than anything else.

The early years of marriage are running over with the new home and new interests, the hope-for progress of the husband's business—and adjustments. As years follow one another, this accumulation of new experiences in living, entertainment, study, new hobbies, and facts does not bring contentment. Something more is needed to round out life.

Several illnesses caused us to delay bringing to fruition our often-discussed plans of adopting a child. We had considered one seriously two different times. Then the War burst upon us, and my husband, with three years' experience in the regular army, felt that he could help. And he did. After the Armistice it took time to recover health and to re-establish a business. That accomplished, the ever-present wish for a child in our home came up.

Without realising it quite, we were working toward the fulfillment of that wish in everything we did. The sand left from a road repair was removed to a sunny, out-of-the-way corner of the garden to be used in garden work. But it was fenced around with four-inch planking, and I saw my child playing there long before the sand pile was used. The plan for placing a second pergola in the yard was changed—moved out farther so that there would be enough room for a swing, and I saw my child spend happy hours there long before real shouts of laughter and "higher! higher!" came to my ears. Gradually a playroom in the basement took shape. Our old carpenter, having completed extra cupboards in the kitchen, was somewhat mystified with instructions to build shelves along one end of this room. I am sure that after surveying the store-room and laundry shelves he thought

I had a real idiosyncrasy for having plenty of room to store things.

And then quite suddenly we had something tangible in our hands and hearts. "God takes care of the lame and the halt and the blind," and I add with all reverence—"of fools." I know that for a long time we were so classed after we introduced, with no warning to our friends and few relatives, a family of three children—a girl of four years and boys of six and seven—and calmly announced that they were ours. Had we smote a rock causing it to open and disclose rubies and diamonds or had we done any other equally fantastic a thing, we could have caused no more commotion than we did. It happened in this way.

On returning from a business trip of several hundred miles, we drove through a small town and, with no spoken suggestion, turned into the driveway of a large Home for Children—a State institution. We met the superintendent, a tall, thin, tired man. He talked over our plan with sympathy and understanding. We felt that we had gone ex-



front teeth were wide apart as were the older brother's. This boy gave an impression of sullenness—not one reply to questions could be got out of him.

The family history was very bad. If there had been the slightest idea in the beginning of making a home, the plan had sagged so completely that only the worst of life was displayed now. The father accepted no responsibilities. His estimate of life was of the simplest. He worked part of the time and made fair wages. But he quit a job at will, left home, and would be gone for months. The mother's capacities were as restricted as his. The welfare of the family was not important. She took a place

shocked and amazed when, after prayers and good nights, in the privacy of his own room, our younger boy put his arms around my neck and with tears on his cheeks said, "Mother, I'm glad it's over. I've been hoping you'd do it; now I really belong to you and Daddy." This from a seven-year-old (he had had a happy birthday a short time before). Besides his day school, his Sunday school, his outdoor activities, a dancing class, and other things which seemed to fill his time and brain to overflowing, he had given much thought of his position. He must have wanted this home desperately, when I considered these months had been so hard for us all—just endless days of changing previous habits of life and trying to establish a new order. I must have seemed a termagant at times, so inelastic and determined was I that this poor clay could be made into good bricks.

I appreciate now how many adjustments we had to make. We had been free at all times. We enjoyed the theatre, bridge, dancing, and we spent long evenings in reading and study. Now these activities were greatly curtailed. I am persuaded that the discipline which we have had has held us to a point from which we may have been slipping. We have gone back to church. I am not sure that church-attending parents are absolutely necessary, but I am afraid to take any chances. The church and the home are safe anchors. For one of the children someday, a close contact with church life may be the very thing needed to carry him through an emergency.

We are rearing three individuals. It is of paramount importance that we try to recognise the differences and guide as best we can. We have never expected consciously any return on this experiment. Childish minds are concerned only with bodily comfort and happiness. It should be so. Certainly we shall never ask for gratitude, a rare virtue even in adults. Because the world did not remain on an even keel, we have been obliged to change our plans for these children. A business which seemed as substantial as granite has been swept away. This, combined with the many problems of early adolescence, has brought out a new line of valuable possibilities.

I know that this venture is successful. Day by day I see in the future three fine citizens. I see three fine homes instead of the probability of three serious problems for the State. It is our greatest experience, and we are deriving much more pleasure and interest from it than had we centered all our efforts on one child. Our horizon now is unquestionably ruddy with promise.



haustively into the subject. We desired a child of three years, perhaps a year one way or the other if the child were particularly attractive to us. The child must be an orphan. His life was to begin with his entrance into our home; all else was to be forgotten.

The superintendent shook his head. He asked us to consider the adoption of a family. "There were hundreds of childless couples who desired a golden-haired child," he said, "but few who were willing to take over unpromising material. There was," he added, "the Rankin family—lotsam of life's mistakes—children of tragedy."

An unattractive group it proved to be. The hair of the shy little girl of four years was cut very short. Her hands were covered with warts. Her stockings were down, and a dark serge dress was too short in front. The boy of six was white and thin. He smiled slowly and his mouth hung open loosely as he glanced furtively out of the corners of his eyes. He looked crafty. His

often in very cheap restaurants. The younger children were then on the street, and the boys of twelve and thirteen years of age skipped school and spent their time as they chose. She was often pregnant, and at the time of the birth of the six-year-old boy, the case came to the attention of the S.P.C.

We may have been lamentably deficient in common sense when we started out on this venture. We may have been brainless speculators on any chance of a happy, tranquil, and successful future when, after seven months of conflict and some calm spots, we applied for adoption papers for three children whom we had taken from a dangerous home environment and from a mother, who, we are confident, did not give to each of these unfortunate children the same father.

We went to the Court late one afternoon before a judge.

I hoped the children would soon forget the courtroom scene, just as I prayed constantly that the picture of their early home would fade gradually. I was



See-saw at the C.S.C.C. Children's Day.



An original first aid squad at work on a "case" at the fancy dress football at Caroline Hill.



One way of dressing for football. A snap from the fancy dress game at Caroline Hill.



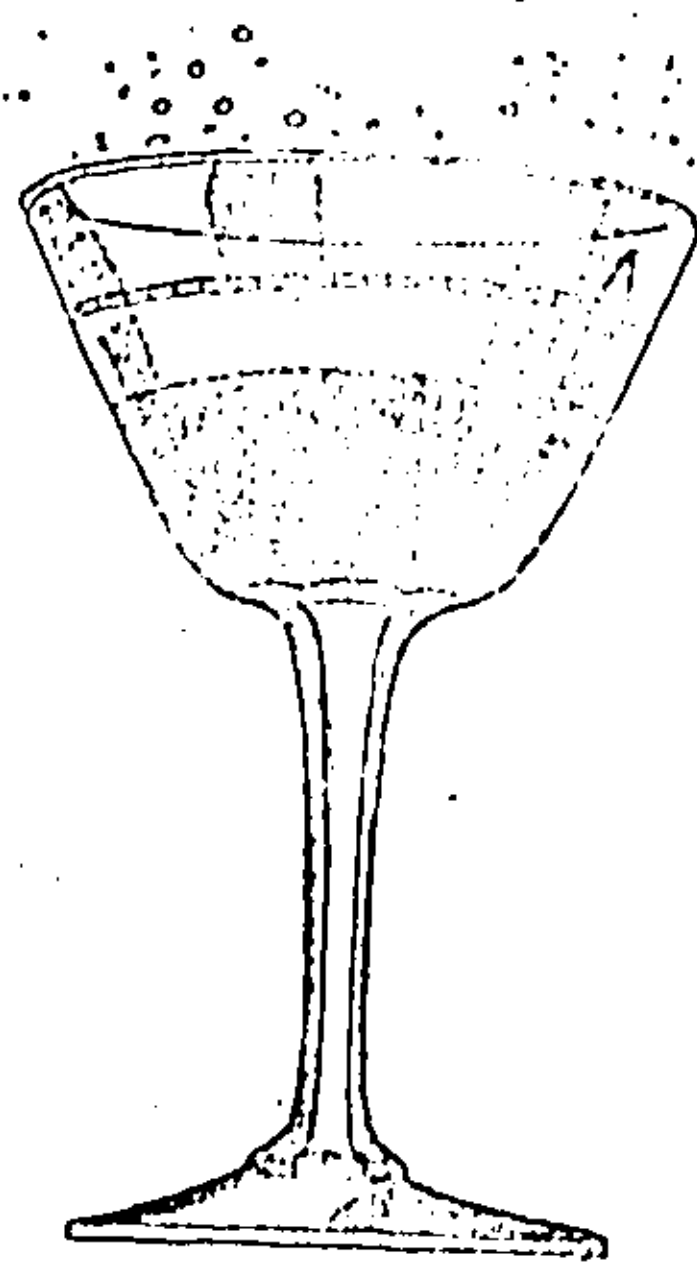
One of the very effective propaganda murals, the work of the Service Corps of the Hong Kong Students Relief Association. (Photo by courtesy of the H.K.S.R.A.).



Members of the Service Corps of the Hong Kong Students Relief Association, who are doing excellent work in the interior. (Photo by courtesy of the H.K.S.R.A.).

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Sophisticated lady in a glittering cocktail frock of capucine and gold metal cloth. With a sparkling jewelled gold clip at its lovely neckline, short sleeves and swirling pleated skirt, it possesses dashing as well as dazzling chic.

Glittering loveliness in gold metal cloth topped an exquisitely detailed cocktail frock whose skirt is Morocco brown crepe with a slither of the gold down either side. The hat, a draped muffin turban of brown bagheera high lighted with a gold dagger pin.

Queen Victoria inspired the demure little frock of black velvet (below) trimmed with white ermine. And from the same ruler came the black velvet hat with its floating black veil... the same hat Helen Hayes wears in her interpretation of Queen Victoria.

The cloister or monastic silhouette appears in a new version, this one in plum crepe with small gold buckles fastening the front and high to the throat. The hat, a severely elegant sailor in black felt and buckled in gold.



THE END OF ARISTOCRACY

DURING the famous 1926 general strike in Great Britain, a mass meeting of coal-miners was held in London. Their leaders talked of revolution, of forcing abolition of the Crown, of establishing a republic.

One of the assemblage climbed to his feet and said: "Yes, but if we have a new government, with a president, an' all, 'oo are we goin' to have for president? That's wot I'd loike ter know."

Hardly had he sat down, when another miner was on his feet—tall, grim-faced from watching his family slowly starve in a wretched hovel.

"President!" he echoed scornfully, jerking a stubby thumb in the general direction of the questioner. "'E asks 'oo's goin' ter be president. Why, the Lad, of course! 'Oo else d'yer think'd be president?"

And the assemblage agreed that if they established a republic in Great Britain, the Lad, better known to the world as Edward VIII, would be acceptable to them as president. They would strip away his crown, but they would still choose him as their leader.

Yet, strange as it may seem, aristocracy is dead in Europe, and it is dying fast in the United States. Its doom was sealed by the World War. The scientists and engineers of mankind have been busy completing the job ever since the Armistice was signed.

The real aristocrat was a member of a class which first of all took its job with infinite seriousness. It considered itself the epitome of all that was best in the community. It represented the arts, letters, music, and culture. It was intensely proud of its tenants and its retainers, and their allegiance. It assumed the responsibility of setting a good example in well bred living. Its deportment was as much of a daily job as the daily labours of a banker, broker, taxicab driver, or ditch digger.

To-day there are no aristocrats. Well, possibly there are a few left. But they are so outmoded as to be almost recluses. For the most part, they have been superseded by flamboyant exhibitionists. Aristocracy is no longer measured in terms of possession of wealth, but in display of wealth.

In bygone days, there were the Rivieras, the Soss in Europe—to which were admitted only those most carefully selected by the social arbiters. They had their codes of honour, and they were high. One could be banished for stealing or divorce or similar transgressions. Such lapses were considered as a betrayal of the "job" aristocracy considered it had to do for the community. The ethics of being well bred were strict and rigid.

The aristocrats lived to themselves. An outsider walked through sections of town and their unyielding, grim, and proper fronts greeted him with a facade of big imposing houses. He walked in the country, and the boundary line was the tall, spik-

ed iron fence, with the marble gates and long, vanishing driveway.

In a word, aristocracy was a symbol which compelled the respect of the surrounding world because of its well bred respectability.

To-day, all is changed. The symbolism has broken down. What is taking place is almost a revolution.

The symbol of aristocracy has more nearly remained intact in Great Britain than any other ancient land. That is because of something in an Englishman's character which causes him to rest quite certain, be he nobleman or taxi driver, that he is a little better than anyone else in the world.

The real, old aristocracy is being destroyed by the children. The breeding has gone. Purely bad manners have been substituted.

The aristocrats were horrified at publicity. To-day, their children crave it. The sense of trust and responsibility to the community, which made and sustained the old aristocracy, have been banished.

Consider grand opera. Once it was the hallmark of aristocracy, and a duty to maintain a box at the opera. To-day grand opera struggles to save itself from strangulation—because the children of aristocracy feel no responsibility to sustain the cultural life.

Observe the simplicity of divorce and re-marriage. Consider that the children of aristocracy hardly know, in some cases, even who their parents are. Thus the rigidly controlled symbol of family life maintained by the old aristocrats, which the rest of the community respected, has broken

By Boake Carter

down. The public exhibition of bad manners; the thronging of the women of the children of aristocracy to modern night clubs; the dashing from party to party from dawn to dusk, week in and out; the lack of ambition among the younger sons of the old aristocracy, the aimless drinking of these playboys; the intermarriage and divorce which are bringing decay in those circles—all of these are destroying the respect for aristocracy that the community once had.

To-day the arts, letters, music and culture are of little interest to these offspring. The society girl who sells her face for the price of a cigarette advertisement destroys her own exclusiveness. Who knows but that the magazine cover on which her face appears may hang from a hook in some cheap bar? Where are the exclusiveness, aloofness, well-bred reticence that were the hallmark of the aristocracy established by her forebears?

To-day the children of aristocracy model clothes—not for money, but for publicity; they sing in night clubs; they pose for photographers and seek sensation. Sweet sixteen must have



champagne at its parties to-day, else the gathering is a failure. Anything goes, and in that decay their own self-respect has disappeared. Even more dangerous, the respect of other classes for them has vanished also. And once middle and lower classes cease to respect aristocracy, then the real aristocracy is doomed as well.

True, there is an aristocracy of wealth as represented by the great names of business and industry. But these men made a place for themselves as business leaders, not as aristocrats in the true sense of the word. Most of them devoted all their time to making money and not to the cultivation of the art of living.

The old aristocrats mixed only among themselves. In European royalty, this resulted in internal decay because of too close intermarriage.

What, then has contributed to this breakdown? First, as previously pointed out, the World War, which destroyed all standards for five years, and permitted the middle and lower classes to realize that aristocrats were fundamentally no different from them in human emotions and reactions. They learned that Thomas Carlyle was right when he warned that if you detroned the House of Lords, their Lordships would be no different from you or me.

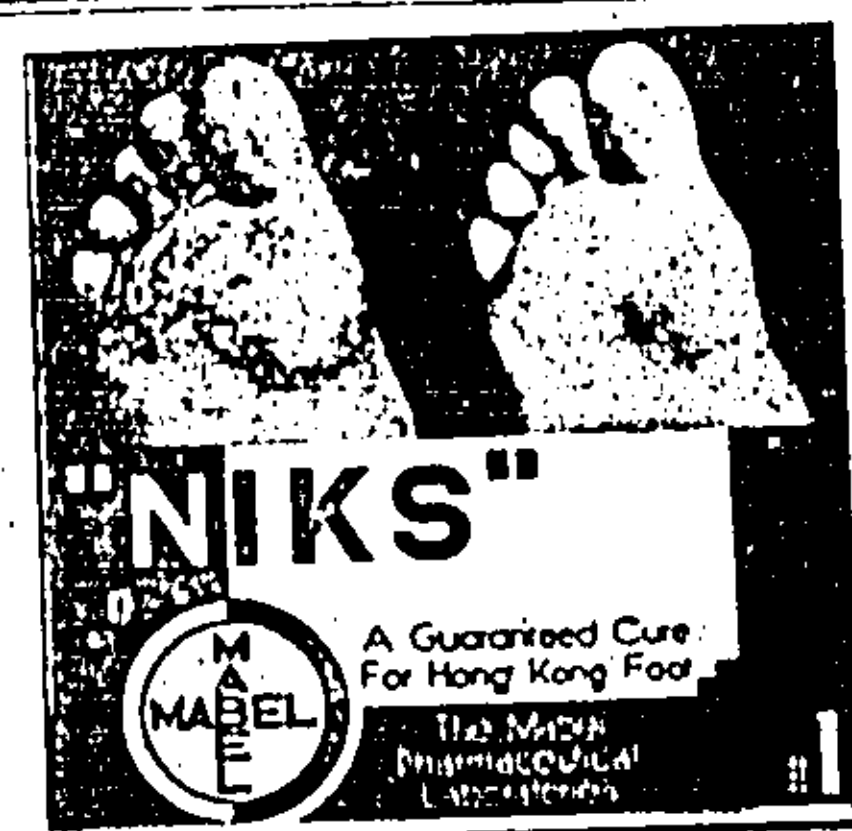
Then came the post-war struggle between democracy and fascism and communism—manifestations of a discontent brought on because the ruling classes in Europe forgot that the greatest factor in the triumvirate of good government—life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness—is life.

Thus the children of the old aristocracy, and progressively their children's children, have forfeited the leadership inherited from their forebears. And as we

build a world more and more mechanized by instruments which destroy those ancient barriers of well bred inaccessibility, so will the process of disintegration of aristocracy, as epitomised in the pre-war days, proceed, until it has vanished entirely.

Who will be the victors? Certainly not the middle class. Examine your history and you will find that the middle class is always the one to "take the rap." It never has enough money nor enough ambition.

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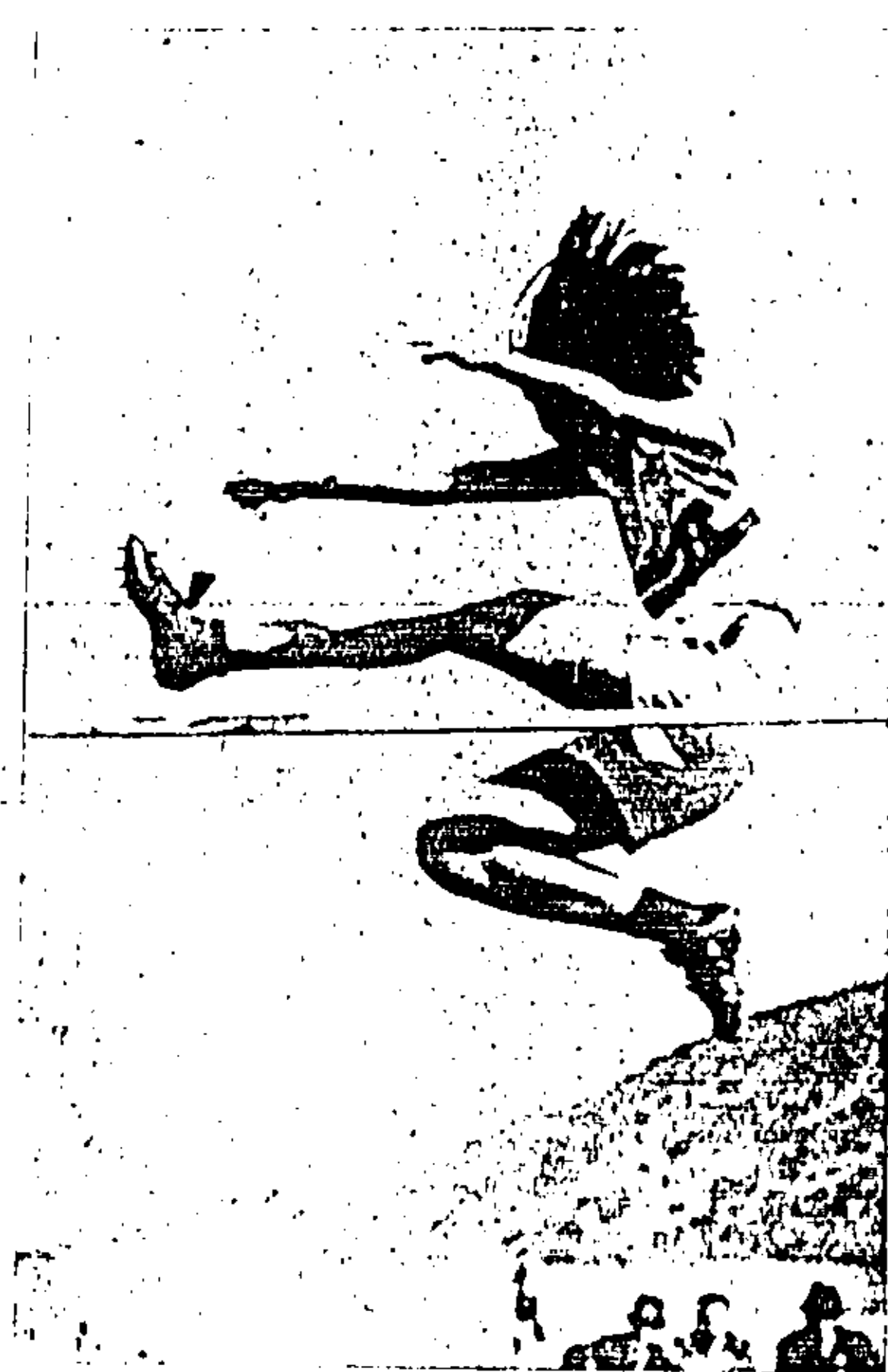
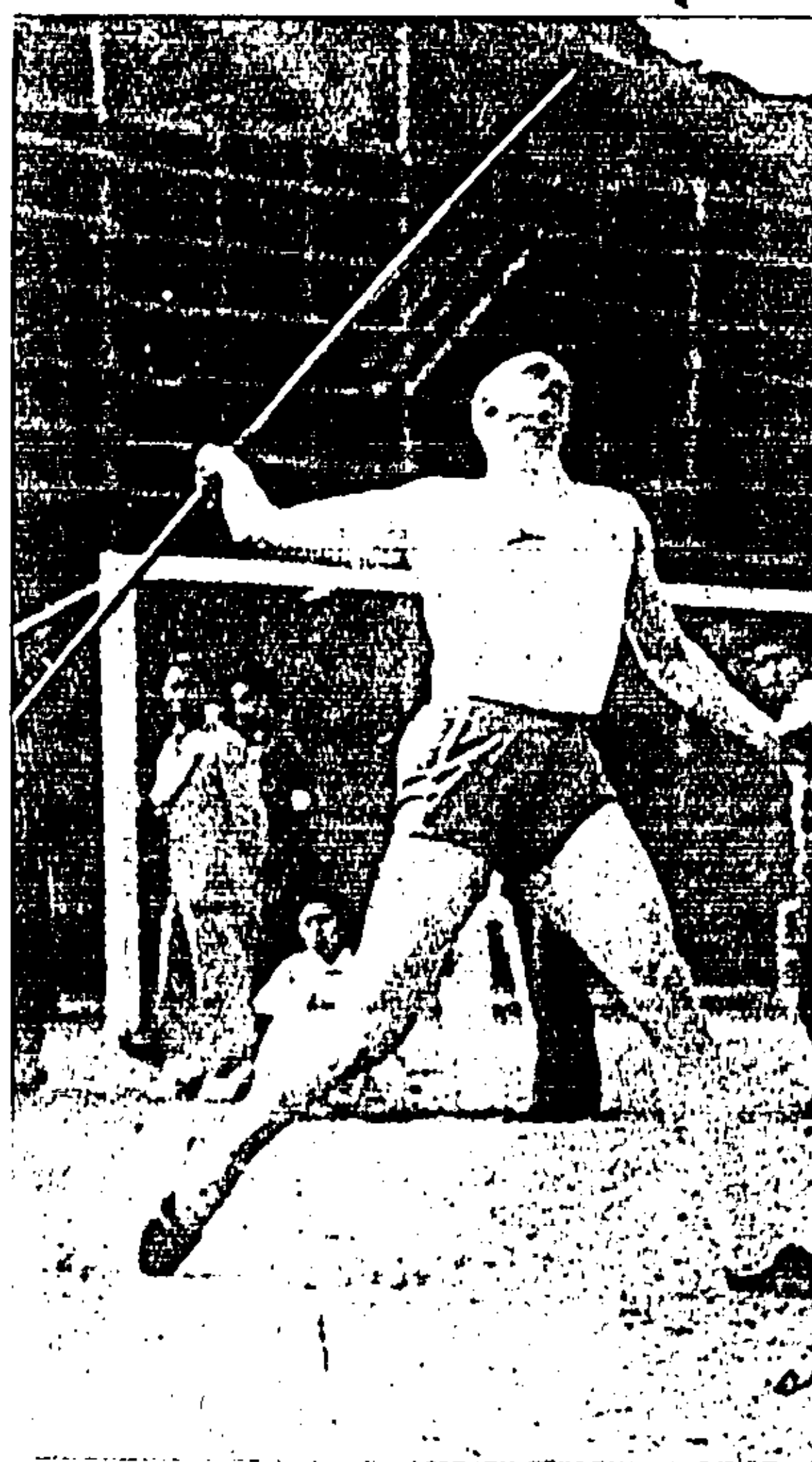
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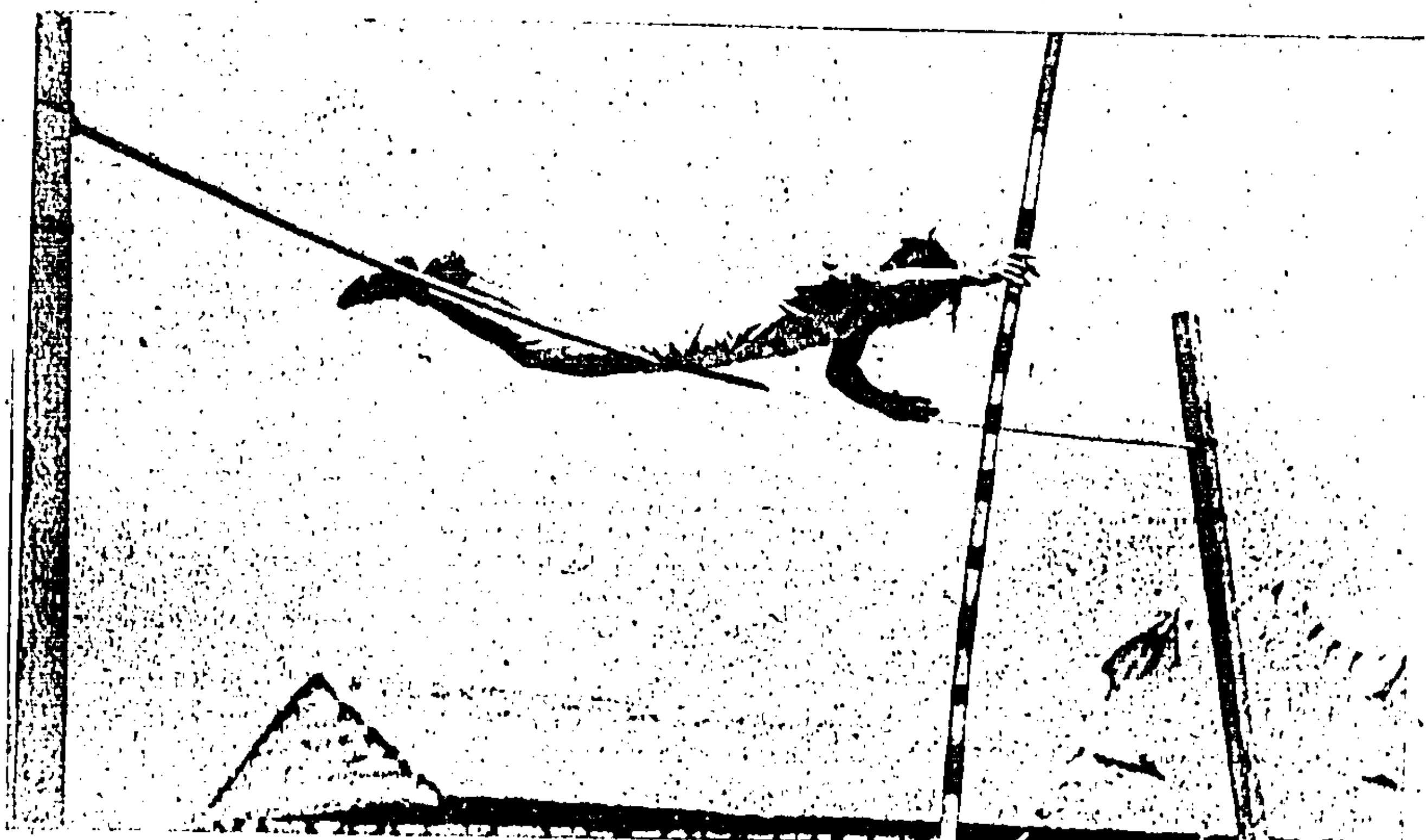
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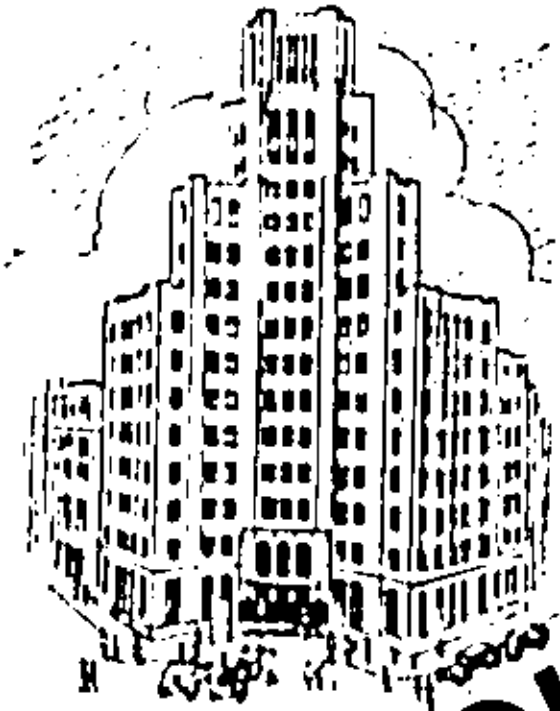


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"Such people would be the first, and rightly so, to resent interference with our own policy and our own democratic system of government."

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GOVERNMENT AIM

"The National Government for their part are determined to use every effort in all directions to eradicate all differences which would make for war, supported, I believe, by the great majority of our fellow countrymen and women."—British Wireless.

EGYPT AND ITALY

Cairo, Yesterday. Preparations are proceeding for negotiations between Egypt and Italy for conclusion of a Non-Aggression Pact. Negotiations will commence in January.—Trans-Ocean.



A brilliant engagement party was held at the Hong Kong Hotel Roof Garden on Tuesday when Miss Yvonne Yeung Shau-king, famed Olympic swimmer, and Mr. B. L. Tao, well-known jockey, were betrothed. The couple are shown above. (Bann's Studio).

SHOTS FIRED AT MEN OF R.A.F.

Jerusalem, Yesterday. As a result of shots fired from a taxi at two R.A.F. men, the Military Governor has ordered the withdrawal of all Arab taxidriens' travel permits, beginning at 5 o'clock this morning. The men were not hit. Meanwhile, daytime curfew has been imposed in Nazareth, following the murder of Rifa Fakhour, member of a leading Christian family.—Reuter.

NUFFIELD URGES SUPPORT FOR MR. CHAMBERLAIN

London, Yesterday.

Lord Nuffield stated in a message he circulated last night on the eve of his departure on a tour of South Africa, Australia and New Zealand:

"There should be a definite improvement in business during the coming year, which must necessarily bring about a marked reduction in unemployment. "The increasing efforts of Mr. Neville Chamberlain, through his policy of appeasement, to secure enduring peace in Europe will, I trust, meet with the great success he desires, and while he is devoting his energy to that end it is the duty of every one of us to back him up and show our confidence in his leadership by being prepared to spend more and so make money circulate and trade prosperous."

FRAME OF MIND

"I firmly believe that if people would only be determined to disregard the pessimists and gloom-mongers and adopt a more cheerful frame of mind, it would do much to encourage a British trade revival."

"That, I am sure, epitomises what should be the spirit of the country during the next twelve months and a New Year's resolution for all of us."—British Wireless.

IRAN BREAKS OFF RELATIONS

Cairo, Yesterday.

Concerning the rupture of diplomatic relations between France and Iran which became known on Friday morning, Iranian quarters state that the decision of the Iranian Government to break off diplomatic relations was motivated by hostile criticisms of the Shah Izaa Khan Pahlavi in the French press.—Trans-Ocean.

KING AT MUD AND SLUSH PARTY

London, Yesterday.

The King and a party of friends were shooting at Sandringham yesterday in melting snow and slush. They were joined at lunch at the Ammer Club by Queen Mary, who had motored along snow-covered lanes.—British Wireless.

A cable received by the Hong Kong Office contains the good wishes of the Head Office, manufacturers, life, to Mr. E. J. R. Mitchell and his Associates, on an exceptionally good year. Business in force for 1938 exceeds \$72,000,000 (Canadian) which is a substantial increase over the total for 1937.

Franco Ships Warned By Rockets Of Agents

Gibraltar, Yesterday.

British residents of Gibraltar are making excursions to the spot where the Spanish Government destroyer, "Jose Luis Diez," was beached after her gallant fight against superior Nationalist forces.

The destroyer, which was hit amidships by several shells, is lying only 100 yards from the shore.

Yesterday the Governor of Gibraltar, General Sir Edmund Ironside, accompanied by senior Navy and Army officers, visited the destroyer and inspected the damage.

It is now learned that the "Jose Luis Diez" fired at least six torpedoes in the action with the Nationalist warships, among which was the 10,000-ton cruiser "Canarias."

One of them is believed to have hit a Nationalist destroyer, with unknown results.

Batteries established by the Nationalists at Ceuta joined in the fight against the destroyer, though none of the shells took effect.

MAY BE INTERNED

The crew of the "Jose Luis Diez" will be interned by the British naval authorities, according to an unconfirmed report. The men are temporarily lodged in the old British barracks.

Rumours are current that the Nationalist warships, which had been waiting in the Straits for over a week in anticipation that the "Jose Luis Diez" would try to run the gauntlet into a Spanish Republican harbour, were warned by rocket signals from agents in Gibraltar of the destroyer's intention to leave harbour.

FIVE DEAD

An official announcement in Gibraltar says that four of the crew of the "Jose Luis Diez" were killed and eleven wounded. One of the wounded later died in hospital. Reuter understands that the dead will be buried at sea from a British destroyer, the captain of the "Jose Luis Diez" and four ratings attending the service.

Reuter is officially informed that British guns on the Rock were not used for any purpose during the engagement.

The dockyard tug "Moorhill" has refloated the "Jose Luis Diez," and has towed her into Gibraltar harbour with British soldiers mounting guard on board.

LATER MESSAGE

A semi-official Nationalist statement, issued in Burgos, regarding the naval engagement, mentions only a Nationalist minelayer and the gunboat "Volcano" as being engaged on the Nationalist side.

The statement makes no mention of casualties.

A later message from Gibraltar giving details of the engagement, declares "No Nationalist vessel was sunk or hit."—Reuter.

PORTUGAL'S SATISFACTORY BUDGET

Lisbon, Yesterday.

The Portuguese Budget for 1939 shows an excess of revenue over expenditure of approximately two million escudos.

Ordinary revenue, it is estimated, will amount to 2049.2 million escudos and ordinary expenditure to 2030.3 millions, leaving a surplus of 18.9 millions.

Extraordinary revenue is calculated at 786 million and extraordinary expenditure at 793.4 millions, leaving a difference of somewhat over 7 millions which however will be balanced by the ordinary budget.

The greater part of the extraordinary expenditure is accounted for by the increase in the cost of armament, for which 400 millions escudos have been appropriated, which is double the amount appropriated for this purpose in 1938.—Trans-Ocean.



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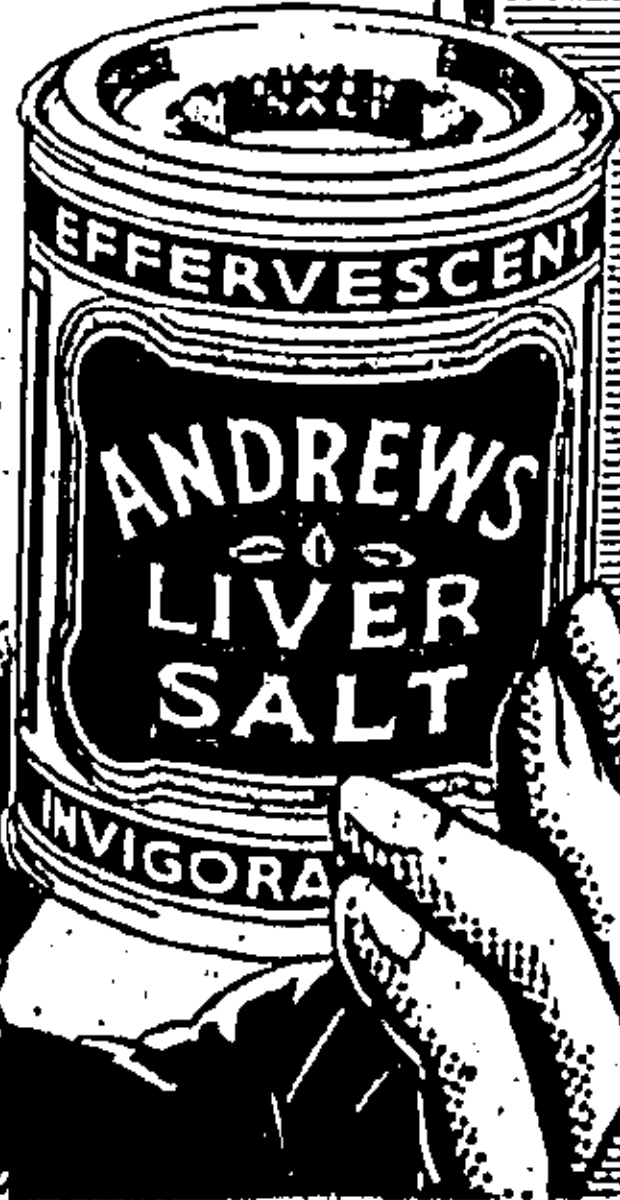
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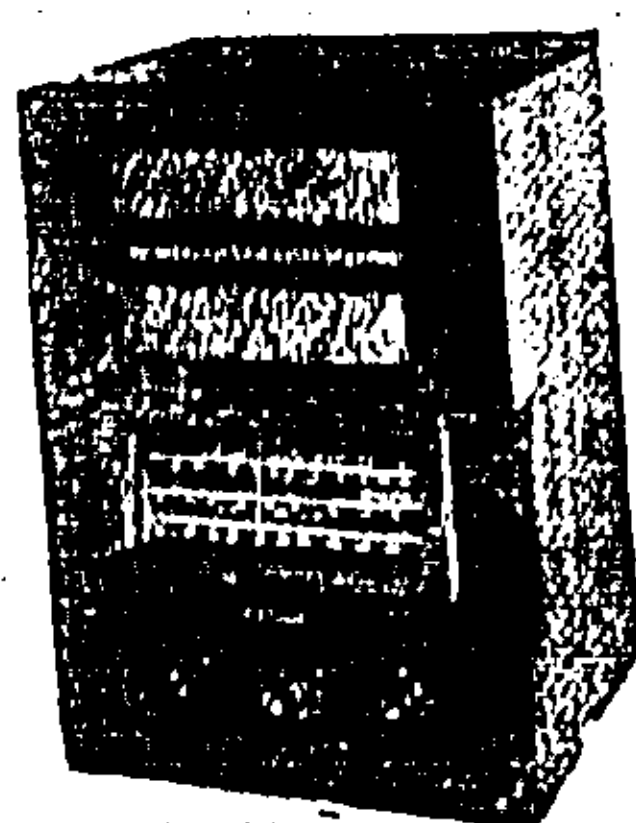
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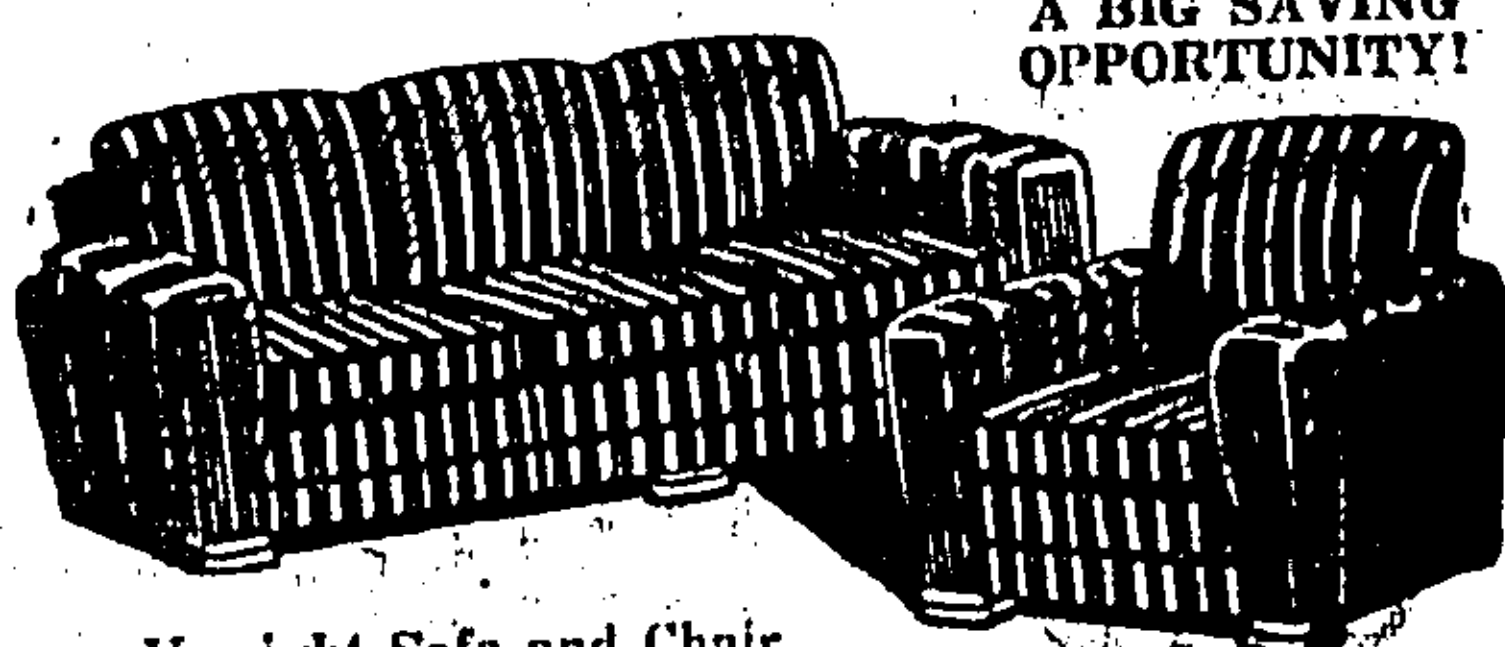
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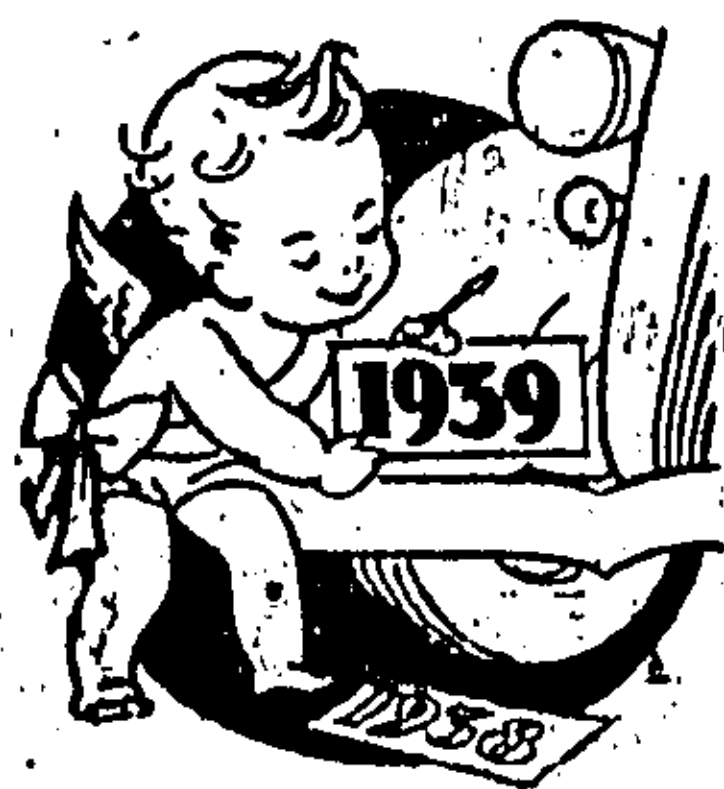
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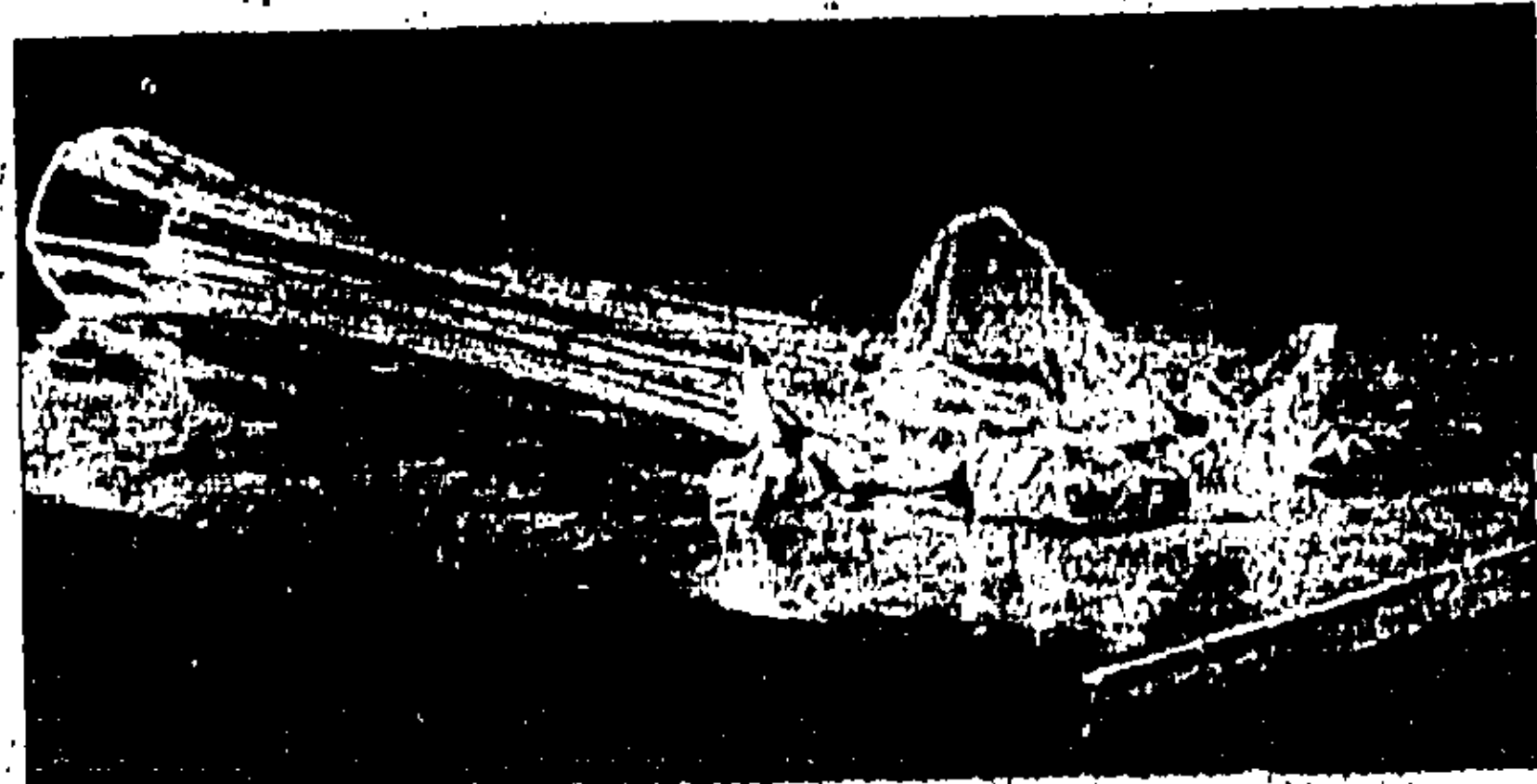


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Here is the vase lying as it was after it was so strangely shattered.

HONG KONG PHENOMENON

(Special To The "Sunday Herald")

THE ability of Enrico Caruso as a parlor trick to shatter a wineglass by striking a particular note is legendary, and there is, of course, sound scientific explanation of why certain note vibrations are fatal to glass receptacles.

NEVERTHELESS, specific instances of the occurrence are extremely few and far between, and that which occurred in Hong Kong recently, in the home of Mr. Hamilton, of the Government Marine Surveyor's Department, is exceptional in several ways.

In the first place, the radio (or ZBW) was responsible. Mr. Hamilton and his family

were sitting at dinner with the radio on when a cut glass flower vase, eighteen inches high, seemed to howl in harmony with a note over the air and then collapsed.

In the second place, although shattered at the base beyond repair, the tall column of the vase remained intact, and the base split so evenly in its different pieces that it was capable of complete reconstruction, and able to stand, as if undamaged, as shown in the picture on the right.

The effect of the "blast" was to split the base in evenly spaced pieces, as though they had been carefully measured out with a cutter beforehand.



LOCAL CHINESE WEDDINGS



Mr. and Mrs. Lemuel Chin-chuen Jen, after their wedding at the Registry Office last Friday. The Bride was formerly Miss Lucy Lai-ying Chow, an attractive member of the Shanghai younger set. (Bann's Studio).

AMERICAN NOW BUDDHIST MONK MAY ESTABLISH CHILDREN'S HOME HERE

A POSSIBILITY THAT HE MAY STAY IN HONG KONG LONGER THAN ORIGINALLY PLANNED, IN ORDER TO TAKE AN ACTIVE PART IN THE ESTABLISHMENT HERE OF A CHILDREN'S HOME, WAS MENTIONED BY BROTHER CHEE HOY, FIRST AMERICAN TO TAKE THE VOWS OF A BHIKKHU UNDER THE BUDDHIST FAITH, DURING AN INTERVIEW WITH THE "SUNDAY HERALD" YESTERDAY.

"My work has been with children quite a bit, in the past," he said. "When I received my Po Sat Gai in America, becoming an abbot, I dedicated my spiritual work to Quan Yin Po Sat and took a vow to establish homes for children. That is why I am here; that and war relief."

Brother Chee Hoy, Abbot of the Leng Wo Temple in San Francisco, is now in the Far East after fourteen years as a bhikkhu in the United States, doing social service and, more recently, war relief work among the Chinese residents of the United States.

His main object is to establish headquarters for the Buddhist Mission of North America in the Orient.

He told the "Sunday Herald" yesterday that it was in 1925, or 2460 B.E., that he entered the Buddhist sangha as a bhikkhu, homeless brother, shaving his hair and taking the complete renunciation and vows of the brotherhood. After nine years of work among Buddhists in San Francisco, he received his initiation as Abbot in 1933, or 2477 B.E.

It was towards the end of helping others help themselves that he established the Shrine of Spiritual Peace (Leng Wo) and thousands have since received spiritual help and peace there.



ABBOT CHEE HOY

A NIGHT ON THE ROADS

Against the starry background of the night
The fire fitfully gleams, fork-tongued and bright,
Lighting the cows and horses with its glow
And cart with sleeping servants stretched below.
CHEN WEN TUNG.
(Ming Dynasty: 1368-1640).

EARLY TRAVEL

The village cock has heralded the dawn.
The moon is pale beneath the morning's glow.
Upon his horse the traveller departs,
Leaving the battered lantern burning low.
LIU TZU-HUI
(Sung Dynasty: 960-1278)

PASSING WASH HORSE RAPIDS

The boatman's strength seems small. The dancing boat
Mounds slowly where the waters swirl and churn.
Do not regret the tedium of the way:
Like a swift arrow you will soon return.
HUNG-CHIH
(Ming Dynasty: 1368-1640)



Mr. and Mrs. Pak Yung-woo after their wedding at the Registry. (Bann's Studio).



Members of the cast of Mrs. Woyack's pantomime, "The Three Bears," which scored a brilliant success at Holoma May.

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 - 1 pint sparkling water
- Use punch-bowl with large piece of ice. Plenty of fruit. Mix well.
- For larger quantity, increase in proportion.

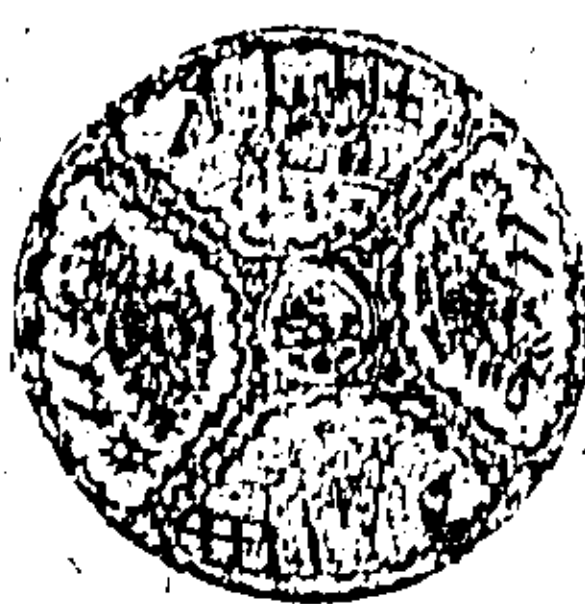
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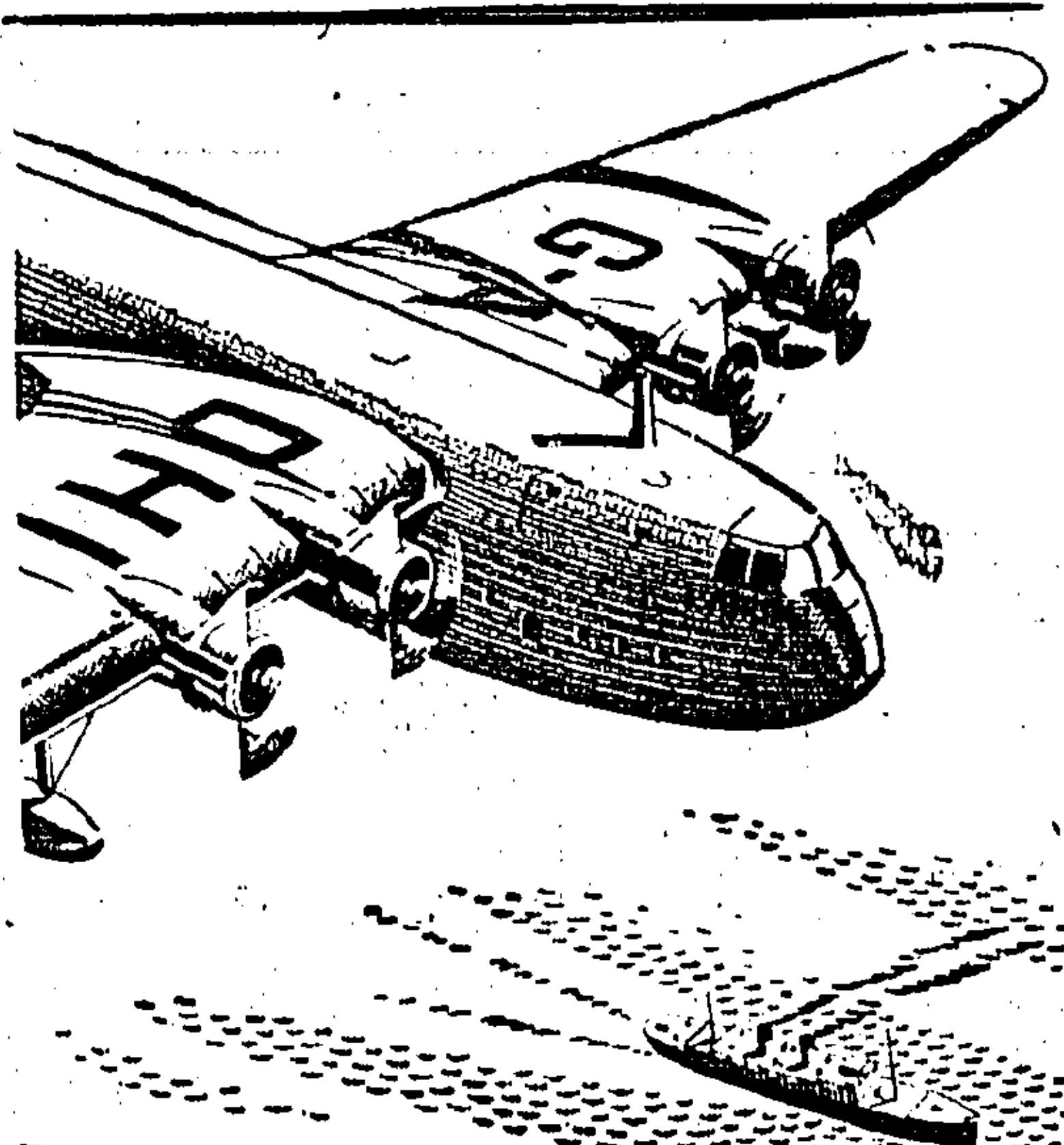
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WHITMARSH AND LEES IN STAND Club Led By Navy In Triangular Cricket Encounter

Unbroken Stand Of 57 Takes Sting Out Of Clubs' Varied Attack

MOORES AGAIN DEADLY

Despite the bitter cold of yesterday afternoon and a wicket far from perfect, the Triangular Tournament cricket match between Club and Navy, on which the series will be decided, provided quite a deal of interest, and fair crowd of spectators followed play closely throughout the afternoon.

Had it not been for a gallant sixth wicket stand between Capt. Whitmarsh (42 not out) and Comdr. Lees (36 not out), it is likely that Navy would have found themselves in a precarious position. After five wickets had fallen for only 40 runs—three of them in quick time to John Pearce—this pair carried the score to 106 and were both undefeated at the close. Club batting was most disappointing. Owen Hughes started off in spectacular manner and his fast bowler Kyrke for 16 in the first over of the match. In "Paxton's" second over, however, he failed to play the left-hander's wrong-'un and was given out l.b.w. under the new ruling. Thereafter it was just a procession. Apart from a stand of 36 for the eighth wicket between the two Pearce brothers, the Club batsmen never looked happy against the deadly bowling of Moores. This bowler kept an immaculate

NAZARIN 62 OUT OF 101

At Sookunpoo, 'Indian Recreation Club' beat St. Joseph's College by 49 runs in a friendly cricket game.

In scoring 62 out of 101, K. Nazarin hit 13 boundaries.

After being 43 for 1, 75 for 2 and 83 for 3, St. Joseph's College lost their last seven wickets for 21 runs.

L.R.C. 2nd XI

A. Bakar, l.b.w., b K. Singh 3
A. A. Aziz, b K. Singh 8
M. R. Abbas, b K. Singh 8
A. R. Sufiad, b E. H. Esmail 23
F. A. Curroem, c and b K. Singh 0
Y. T. Barma, c and b R. Singh 0
M. A. Wahnab, c and b R. Singh 62
K. Nazarin, not out 101
K. I. Razack, c Y. el Esmail, b R. Singh 17
S. A. R. Bux, c Maher, b Y. H. Esmail 1
S. E. Bux, not out 13
Extras (B12, LB1) 13

Total (for 9 wickets, dec.) 153

Bowling Analysis

O. M. R. W.
H. G. Asonie 7 0 28 0
K. Singh 9 0 40 4
R. Singh 9 4 21 3
E. H. Esmail 8 1 35 5
Y. H. Esmail 3 1 16 1

St. Joseph's College

N. Singh played on, b A. Bakar 26
Y. H. Esmail, b M. I. Razack 32
R. Singh, l.b.w., b M. R. Abbas 11
E. H. Esmail, c Curroem, b M. I. Razack 2
T. C. Lo, b M. I. Razack 0
H. G. Asonie, b Curroem 0
R. Singh, c and b Curroem 0
R. Ho, b M. R. Abbas 5
B. Schowla, b Curroem 4
G. Maher, st Nazarin, b M. R. Abbas 4
D. el Arculli, not out 4
Extras (B17) 17

Total Bowling Analysis

O. M. R. W.
M. R. Abbas 9 0 30 3
A. Bakar 8 1 17 1
A. A. Aziz 2 0 20 0
Y. T. Barma 4 0 0 0
M. I. Razack 4 2 2 3
F. A. Curroem 12 0 9 3

Close Game At K.C.C.

At King's Park, Kowloon Cricket Club "A" team drew with "B" team in an intra-club game.

K.C.C. "A" TEAM

R. T. Broadbridge, c Mulcahy, b Lay 20
F. A. Broadbridge, c Taylor, b Lay 27
Lay 0
R. E. Lee, run out 15
S. V. Gittins, c Gray, b Lay 15
H. F. Shields, l.b.w., b Lay 4
L. W. Hume, b Lay 1
K. M. Baxter, b Luke 30
E. C. Fincher, retired 30
A. Wright, not out 16
G. W. Giffen, not out 10
D. Anderson, retired 16
Extras (B19, LB2, WB1, NB2) 24

Total Bowling Analysis

O. M. R. W.
J. R. Luke 10 2 45 1
W. L. McKenzie 8 1 17 1
B. D. Lay 8 1 34 5
R. Baldwin 7 1 28 0
Taylor 5 1 28 0

K.C.C. "B" TEAM

B. D. Lay, run out 14
G. E. Taylor, run out 18
S. A. Gray, c Giffen, b Baxter 4
W. L. McKenzie, b Anderson 11
G. A. Goodban, c R. T. Broadbridge, b Giffen 27
H. Brokenshire, b Fincher 0
R. Baldwin, c Baxter, b Anderson 6
J. R. Luke, c Leo, b Anderson 3
G. G. Davies, not out 15
G. Walker, st Broadbridge, b Hume 0
W. Mulcahy, c Leo, b Gittins 03
Extras (B14, WB3) 17

Total Bowling Analysis

O. M. R. W.
Baxter 8 2 27 1
Gittins 4 2 20 1
Anderson 8 2 34 1
Fincher 1 0 1 0
R. T. Broadbridge 2 0 15 0
Wright 3 0 22 1
Giffen 2 0 15 1
Shields 1 0 17 0

length with an occasional vicious break-back and flighted the ball very cleverly. Paxton was not as good as his analysis suggests, being very prone to bowl long-hops.

The match will be resumed on Monday at 11 a.m.

Hong Kong C.C.—1st Innings

H. Owen Hughes, l.b.w., b Paxton 23
L. T. Ride, b Paxton 8
T. A. Pearce, c Kennedy, b Glenister 34
G. Longfield, c Lees, b Paxton 0
G. McLellan, b Moores 0
J. L. C. Pearce, c Kennedy, b Glenister 10
F. H. Stokes, not out 0
N. D. Lloyd, b Moores 0
J. L. Halsey, b Moores 10
A. C. Beck, b Moores 10
J. L. Fox, b Moores 0
Extras (LB3, NB3) 6

Total

Fall of wickets:—1 (Owen Hughes) for 32, 2 (Ride) for 36, 3 (Longfield) for 43, 4 (McLellan) for 46, 5 (T. A. Pearce) for 81, 6 (J. L. C. Pearce) for 82, 7 (Lloyd) for 83, 8 (Halsey) for 83, 9 (Beck) for 98, 10 (Fox) for 98.

Bowling Analysis

O. M. R. W.
Kyrke 4 0 29 0
L. T. Ride 6 1 21 3
Moores 8 5 10 6
Whitmarsh 4 1 17 2
Glenister 2 0 0 0

Moores bowled 2 no-balls and Kyrke 1 no-ball.

Royal Navy—1st Innings

Capt. Whitmarsh, not out 42
L. S. Smith, c and b McLellan 12
Lt. Comdr. Kennedy, c Beck, b J. L. C. Pearce 0
Lt. Manners, l.b.w., b J. L. C. Pearce 4
Lt. Firth, b McLellan 0
Pay. Comdr. Glenister, b J. L. C. Pearce 0
Comdr. Lees, not out 10
Extras (B6, LB6, WB1) 12

Total (for 6 wickets) 106

Fall of wickets:—1 (Smith) for 26, 2 (Kennedy) for 27, 3 (Manners) for 37, 4 (Firth) for 38, 5 (Glenister) for 40.

E. A. Clayton, Marlon Moores, Lt. Kyrke and C.P.O. Paxton to bat.

Bowling Analysis

O. M. R. W.
Longfield 4 1 12 0
Owen Hughes 8 1 13 0
McLellan 14 5 29 2
J. L. C. Pearce 6 2 23 3
Lloyd 2 0 12 0
Beck bowled 1 wide-ball.

TO-DAY'S CRICKET

The following will represent University past students in the annual match against the present students at Pokfulam to-day:

E. Zimmermann (Capt.), D. J. N. Anderson, J. Barrow, S. V. Gittins, E. L. Gossano, D. Hung, C. W. Lam, A. T. Lee, W. H. Sling, F. R. Zimmermann, J. L. Youngs.

YACHTING RESULTS

The Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club held a sweepstake race yesterday over a course of 8.3 miles. Kittiwake (Miss P. M. King) and Widgown (Miss H. Crawhall-Wilson) winning the "A" and Mixed Classes, respectively.

A' Class Started at 14.30

Yacht Corrected Pos'n.
Kittiwake 16.14.33 1
(Miss P. M. King)

Gull 16.15.07 2
(Mr. A. O. G. Mills)

La Linda 16.18.06 3
(Mrs. M. I. Johnston)

True Blue 16.19.30 4
(Mr. H. S. Rouse)

Teal 16.20.30 5
(Capt. J. E. Dobbs)

Koala 16.20.43 6
(Miss M. Corrigan)

Artemis 16.23.15 7
(Mr. G. G. Wood)

Joss 16.23.34 8
(Mr. P. H. MacMillan)

Guri 16.23.36 9
(Mr. John Johnson)

Jean 16.23.40 10
(Col. G. C. Gowlan)

Painted Lady 16.24.10 11
(Capt. M. T. L. Wilkinson)

Isobel 16.24.23 12
(Capt. Morris)

Herold II D.N.F.
(St. Francis, R.N.)

Eve D.N.F.
(Major E. Bader)

Mixed Classes Started at 14.40

Widgown 16.17.10 1
(Miss H. Crawhall-Wilson)

Diana 16.19.02 2
(Mr. J. Gifford Hull)

Owl 16.19.40 3
(Mr. G. L. Eastgate)

Dorothea 16.20.10 4
(Mrs. Dean Smith)

Ailsa 16.22.01 5
(Mr. W. G. Ingram)

"Y" MEET KUMAONS AT HOCKEY TO-DAY

A very good hockey match should be witnessed on the Marina this afternoon at 4.30 p.m. when the Battalion team of the Kumaon Rifles entertain European Y.M.C.A.

"Y" will be represented by V. M. Hanwell, K. Mackenzie and V. G. Bond, J. Kempton, D. McLellan and T. Ackvill, D. Smith, D. Taylor, U. Kraus, A. F. Austin and R. Bates.



Royal Air Force hockey team, above, are one of the strongest units participating in the Hong Kong Hockey Association's Tournament but they have been weakened by the departure for Home of Sgt. Ldr. Miller (back row, third from right). ("Herald" photo).

KIDDIES' SPORTS AT K.C.C. TO-MORROW

PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

The Annual Children's Sports at Kowloon Cricket Club will be held on the club's grounds to-morrow, commencing at 2 p.m.

Mrs. R. E. Lindell, wife of Mr. Justice Lindell, F.M.S. Judge, has kindly consented to present the prizes to the successful competitors.

The following are the events:

GIRLS

1 Flat Race (between 11 and 14 years)

2 Skipping Race (under 9 years)

3 Flat Race (between 8 and 11 years)

4 Potato Race (under 12 years)

5 Egg and Spoon Race (under 8 years)

6 Flat Race (under 4 years)

7 Flat Race (between 4 and 6 years)

8 Skipping Race (between 6 and 14 years)

9 Flat Race (between 6 and 8 years)

10 Musical Chairs (under 12 years)

11 Egg and Spoon Race (between 8 and 14 years)

12 Relay Race (under 14 years)

BOYS

13 Flat Race (between 11 and 14 years)

14 Boot Race (under 9 years)

15 Flat Race (between 8 and 11 years)

16 Sack Race (between 9 and 14 years)

17 Obstacle Race (under 12 years)

18 Flat Race (under 4 years)

19 Flat Race (between 4 and 6 years)

20 Potato Race (under 12 years)

21 Flat Race (between 6 and 8 years)

22 Tag-of-war (between 8 and 14 years)

23 Three-legged Race (under 12 years)

24 Relay Race (under 14 years)

By kind permission of Lieut. Col. J. H. L. Hindmarsh and Officers, the band of 1st Bn. Kumaon Rifles will be in attendance throughout the afternoon.

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H.Q. WING RAJPUTS WIN SMALL UNITS HOCKEY TOURNEY

Lt. Pritam Nath In Good Form

Though Headquarter Wing of the Rajputana Rifles won the Small Units Hockey Knockout Championship by beating "C" Company of the same Regiment, by five clear goals, at Sookunpoo yesterday, the match was very interesting and play was of a high standard.

The game was witnessed by Col. N. M. S. Irwin, who later presented the trophy, Col. and Mrs. Teversham, Major Whitley, Mrs. Pritam Nath and Dr. (Miss) Ruttonjee.

Headquarter Wing were served by a fast forward line which combined well throughout, and backed up as they were by a good intermediate line, dominated most of the game.

Pritam Nath, leader of the attack, was the outstanding forward on view and piled his other forwards with judicious passes, while on his right, Indarjit Singh was also prominent.

In defence, Doss was sound at right-half. He was safe in his tackling and his distribution to his forwards was conspicuous for its accuracy.

For the losers, R. Singh, at centre-forward, worked very hard, but could not break through the opposing defence, while an injury to Narain Singh, his inside right, made his task a more difficult one. Kindura Singh, on the left-wing, was a weak link.

H. Q. Wing took the lead shortly after the start through Indarjit Singh and a few minutes later went further ahead through Gopal Khan.

The third goal was registered by Pritam Nath from a "penalty bully."

In the second period, further goals were added by Pritam Nath and Indarjit Singh.

SPORTS AT POLICE R.C.

The annual New Year Children's Sports, of the Police Recreation Club, will be held to-morrow afternoon at the Valley.

H.K. LADIES HOLD INTERNATIONAL HOCKEY GAME

Hong Kong Ladies' Hockey Club held an intra-club international match between England and Scotland at the Valley yesterday.

The former winning by four clear goals after leading by two clear goals at the interval.

Miss E. M. Gray made her first appearance since her return from leave at right-back for England, while Mrs. McKeller made one of her all too rare appearances on the left-wing for Scotland. England only had 10 players.

Miss M. Smalley (2), Miss R. Smalley and Mrs. Waddell scored for the winners.

England: Mrs. J. Lumsden; Miss E. M. Gray and Miss O. Green; Miss R. Smith; Miss B. Pope and Miss K. Stears; Miss M. Smalley, Miss D. Baker, Miss R. Smalley and Mrs. Waddell.

Scotland: Miss S. Baskett; Mrs. N. K. Littlejohn and Miss I. Hutchison; Mrs. J. G. Dalziel, Miss G. Swan and Miss A. Murray; Miss J. Parkinson, Miss M. Simpson, Miss J. Greig and Mrs. M. McKeller.

FANCY DRESS HOCKEY

An amusing game of hockey was played on the Y.M.C.A. ground yesterday afternoon, when "Y" members turned out in fancy dress, supported by lady members of the Association.

Most of the hockey rules were ignored, the umpires, Messrs. R. Henderson and W. Simpson, as the Ugly Sisters, allowing the players, at times, to convert the game into a soccer or Rugby match.

Among the players who turned out were Messrs. A. F. Austin, P. Randolph, W. Lampard, H. Smith, D. Smith, J. Greenberg, G. Bowles, Miss M. Smith, Mrs. Bicknell, Miss A. Ambrose, Mrs. Trimmer, Miss M. McCaw, and Mrs. Reed.

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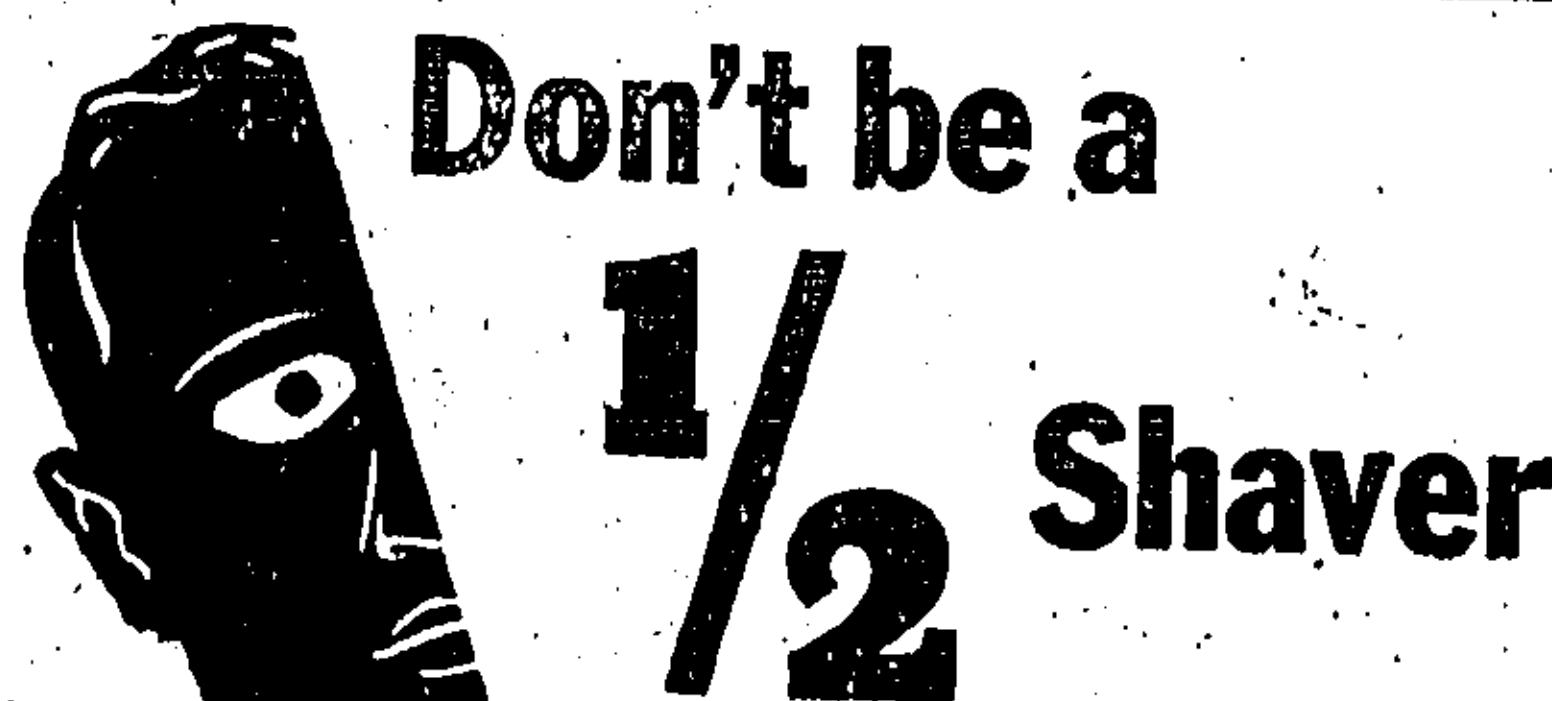
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Navy Retain Rugby Tournament Trophy Club Falter After The Interval

Askwith Plays Brilliant Game In Winners' Back Division ONE OF MOST EXCITING GAMES IN SEVERAL SEASONS

Taking advantage of every lapse by their opposing three-quarters, Navy yesterday beat Club by a goal, two tries and a penalty goal (14 points) to a penalty goal (5 points) to retain the Triangular Rugby Tournament trophy after one of the most thrilling encounters witnessed in several years.

Navy, although held in the first half, dominated the latter period when their three-quarters and halves gave splendid performances, the turning point in the game arriving when a punt by Elliot was not gathered by either Bidwell or MacGrath and Askwith, Navy's right-centre three-quarter, burst through to score a grand try between the posts for Elliot to majorise the effort.

Outstanding features of the encounter were the grim tackling on both sides, the brilliant backing up by Navy's backs of any individual attempt to break through, the sound kicking of Elliot and Stevens, and Askwith's very fine individual attempts.

Club were woefully weak at stand-off-half and in the centre, where Cessford could do nothing right while Bidwell and Grievie were grassed before they could dispose of the ball to their wingers. Cessford could not complain of lack of attention from Henderson, the Club scrum-half giving a fine performance and nipping many a Navy movement in the bud by smother tackle and kicking to touch.

On the whole, Navy deserved their victory because as a unit they were far superior to their opponents. Stevens made a welcome reappearance in the full-back position, where he was very cool and kicked a good length ball. MacGrath, on the other hand, positioned himself badly and often failed to take a punt or kick cleanly.

BACKS HANDICAPPED

Club's back division were rarely seen in their characteristic attacking movements, partly because the ball never came out to them fast enough, and partly because Askwith and Skelton tackled right away, Grievie being caught in possession two or three times.

Lewis and Walters, the Navy's right and left wing-three-quarters respectively, were very fast off the mark and were quick to follow up a loose ball. Askwith and Skelton made an admirable pair of centres, the outstanding feature of their display being clean handling. Fortunately for Club, Stewart was right on top of Walters whenever the latter secured the ball.

Navy's halves played a big part in their victory, Elliot, the Navy skipper, kicking splendidly throughout, while Talbot worked like a Trojan at the base of the scrum and slung the ball out at all angles.

There was little to choose between the respective sets of forwards. Navy's pack bunched well in the loose and were really splendid in the lineouts, where they dominated Club, especially in the second half, a most unusual thing as Club usually held their own in this department.

Hooking honours were about even, Club enjoying more of the ball in the first half while Navy were on top during the latter period.

ONE NAVAL CHANGE

Navy made one change in their pack, Lt. Boddington, who was one of their outstanding forwards, replacing A. B. Thatcher, who thus missed his first senior match of the season.

Darling, Hain, Anderson, Ogilvie and Griffiths were always prominent in the loose, while Ogilvie and Griffiths, the wing forwards, were quick to break away when Club heeled the ball.

Club's forwards did not come up to expectations. They were very poor in the loose except for individual attempts, while they rarely, if ever, with the exception of Taylor, and Heath, followed a punt forward by one of their own backs.

The opening minutes of the game saw much midfield play and kicking to touch.

From a drop-in Navy secured the ball but lost it. Then Anderson was penalised for off-side and Watson kicked a fine goal from a position slightly to the

Club players to score a grand try between the posts. Elliot converted and Navy led Club by 8 points to 5.

It was all Navy from this stage, and it was evident that Bidwell and his three-quarters would have to pull an extra trick out of their bag to break through the Navy defence.

A scrum, a loose ball and a wild pass by Cessford to Grievie saw the latter caught on the wrong foot with the ball bouncing away from him and Walters and Skelton took advantage of the situation to break through with the former in possession. In the meanwhile Askwith came up to support Walters with a great burst of speed, and with Bidwell and MacGrath closing in Askwith took a clever pass to score a magnificent try near the corner flag. Elliot failed to majorise the effort and Navy led 11-3.

DOUBTFUL TRY

A punt by Elliot saw Lewis and Skelton close behind the ball and although Lewis appeared to knock on, Skelton carried the ball over the Club line with his feet to score the final try of the match, Elliot failing with the kick.

It was a very good game to watch, and the large gathering of spectators included His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, Vice-Admiral Sir Percy L. H. Noble, and Lady Noble, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. McLean and Sir Vandeleur Grayburn.

Lt. Pirie refereed and the teams were:—

Club—M. W. MacGrath; G. K. Chadwick; H. D. Bidwell (Captain); W. E. Grievie; D. H. Stewart; F. Cessford; J. R. Henderson; K. A. Watson; K. W. Salter; C. M. Stark; J. S. Dunnett; W. E. Peers; H. W. E. Heath; A. J. G. Taylor and W. B. Richardson.
Navy—Ray Lewis (Birmingham); Lieut. (E) Lewis (Birmingham); P. O. Askwith (Dainty); Lieut. Skelton (Midway); Lieut. Walters (Midway); Lieut. Elliot (Eagle); Lieut. Talbot (Midway); Lt. Boddington (Midway); Mr. Witherden (Duncan); Ldg. Ser. Romans (Eagle); Sub. Lt. (A) Finn (Eagle); Lieut. Darling (Midway); Lieut. Ogilvie (Midway); Lieut. Anderson (Midway) and Lieut. Griffiths (Midway).

TABLE TO DATE

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts.
Navy	3	3	0	0	13	6
Club	4	2	2	7	43	4
Army	3	0	3	15	91	0

DAVIS IMPRESSES IN CLUB'S JUNIOR FIFTEEN PACK

As Royal Engineers were in Camp yesterday, they were unable to field a full fifteen against Club "A" in the match preceding the Tournament match, and Royal Scots came to their rescue with nine players. Club won, however, by a goal and three tries (14 points) to a goal and a penalty

goal (8 points) after being in arrears at the interval by 8 points to 6.

Club were much stronger than Army in the back division and this is where all Club's tries came from. Hutchison, at stand-off-half, played a good game and sent his three-quarters away on many occasions, while his touch-down came in very useful and gave his forwards welcome rest against the full-blooded shoving of the Army pack.

Bosanquet, Club's right-wing three-quarter, received splendid support from Van Leeuwen, who was playing in the centre.

Brinkley was one of the outstanding forwards on view and was always up with the loose ball, while he very rarely doubled his personal score.

Club forwards were better than usual and Davis, a newcomer, Dalziel, Stoker and Redman always caught the eye.

Davis, probably one of the heaviest forwards playing Rugby in the Colony at the moment, could have been a very useful addition to the Club seniors' pack. He had a vast amount of stamina, a deadly tackle and was very fast off the mark. He should do well next season if he is still here, while there is a possibility that he may get his place in one of the representative teams to meet Malaya early in February.

Army surprisingly took the initiative in scoring, and Brinkley crossed over for a good try which Boo improved upon. Club came back with a rush, however, and before the interval had scored two unconverted tries through Bosanquet and Stoker. In the second half Hutchison culminated a fine cork-screw run with a try between the posts which Carey majorised, and just before the end Bosanquet scored again from a long pass by Hutchison.



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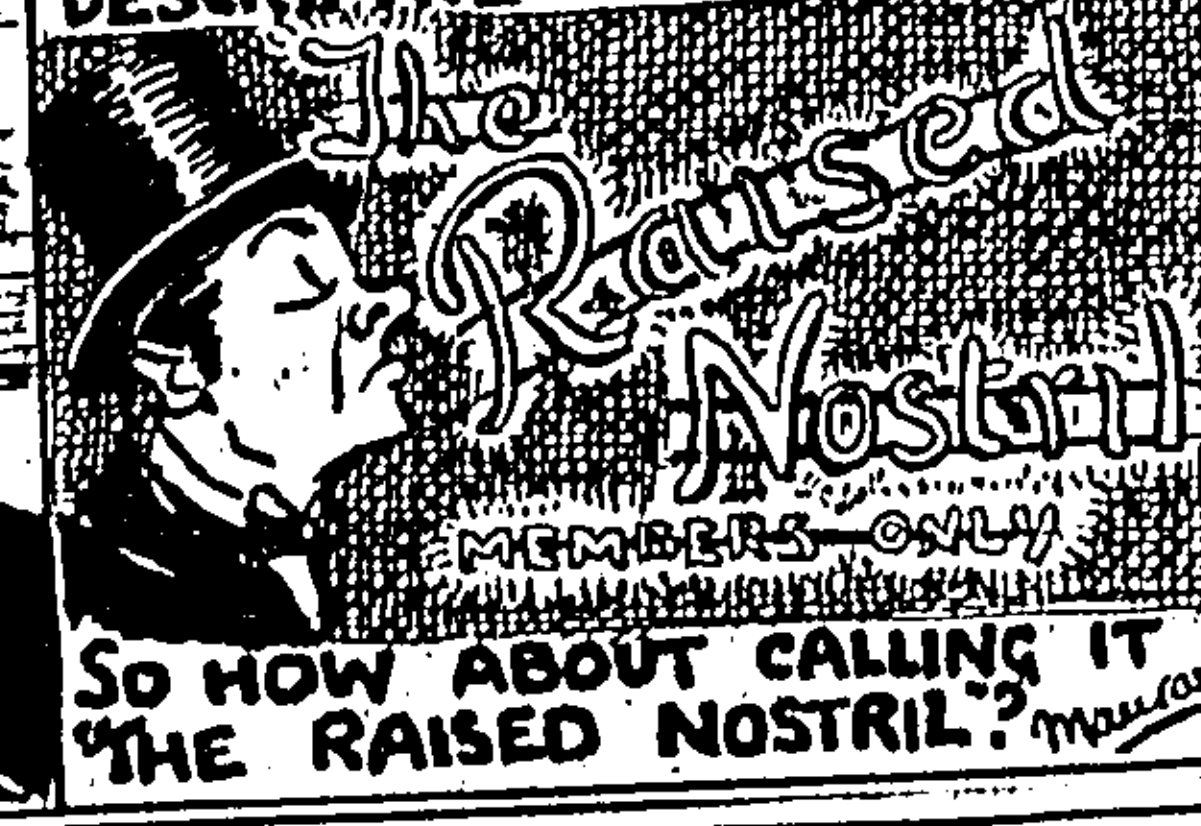
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12.15 p.m.—Grace Moore (Soprano), Gligli (Tenor) and the Boston Promenade Orchestra.

"Aida"—Grand March, Act 2 (Verdi). Boston Promenade Orchestra conducted by Arthur Fiedler.

"I Peneatori di Perle"—I still seen to hear (Bizet). Boston Promenade Orchestra conducted by Arthur Fiedler.

"Aida"—Ballet Suite (Verdi). Boston Promenade Orchestra conducted by Arthur Fiedler.

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1.30 p.m.—Router and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.40 p.m.—Beethoven—Symphony No. 3 in E Flat Major, Op. 55. Played by Symphony Orchestra conducted by Albert Coates.

2.24 p.m.—Songs by Kirsten Flagstad (Soprano). Creation's Hymn (Beethoven); I Love Thee (Beethoven) with Piano accomp. by Edwin McArthur.

2.30 p.m.—Close down.

7 p.m.—Excerpts from Gilbert & Sullivan.

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Spain, I Love Her (Arniches-Alvarez); If Thou Art Faithless (Benatzky)... Joseph Schmidt (Tenor) with Orchestra.

"Helen"—O Divine Couple (Offenbach); To Shield the Husband's Honor... Friedel Schuster (Soprano) with Orchestra.

Hafner Serenade—Rondo (Mozart)... Edith Lorand & Her Viennese Orchestra.

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The Last Waltz (Oscar Strauss)... Donauwallerz, Waltz (Ivanovitch)... Edith Lorand & Her Orchestra.

8.45 p.m.—Relay of an Organ Recital from St. John's Cathedral by Lindsay A. Balford.

9.15 p.m.—London Relay—"London's New Year". A talk by Anthony Waymouth.

9.25 p.m.—Orchestral Overture "Ruins of Athens" (Beethoven)... Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Arnold Rose.

9.30 p.m.—Router and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

9.40 p.m.—Michea Levitzki at the Piano.

Eccosaise (Beethoven). Hungarian Rhapsody No. 12 (Liszt). La Campanella (Paganini—Liszt). La Campanella (Rupstein).

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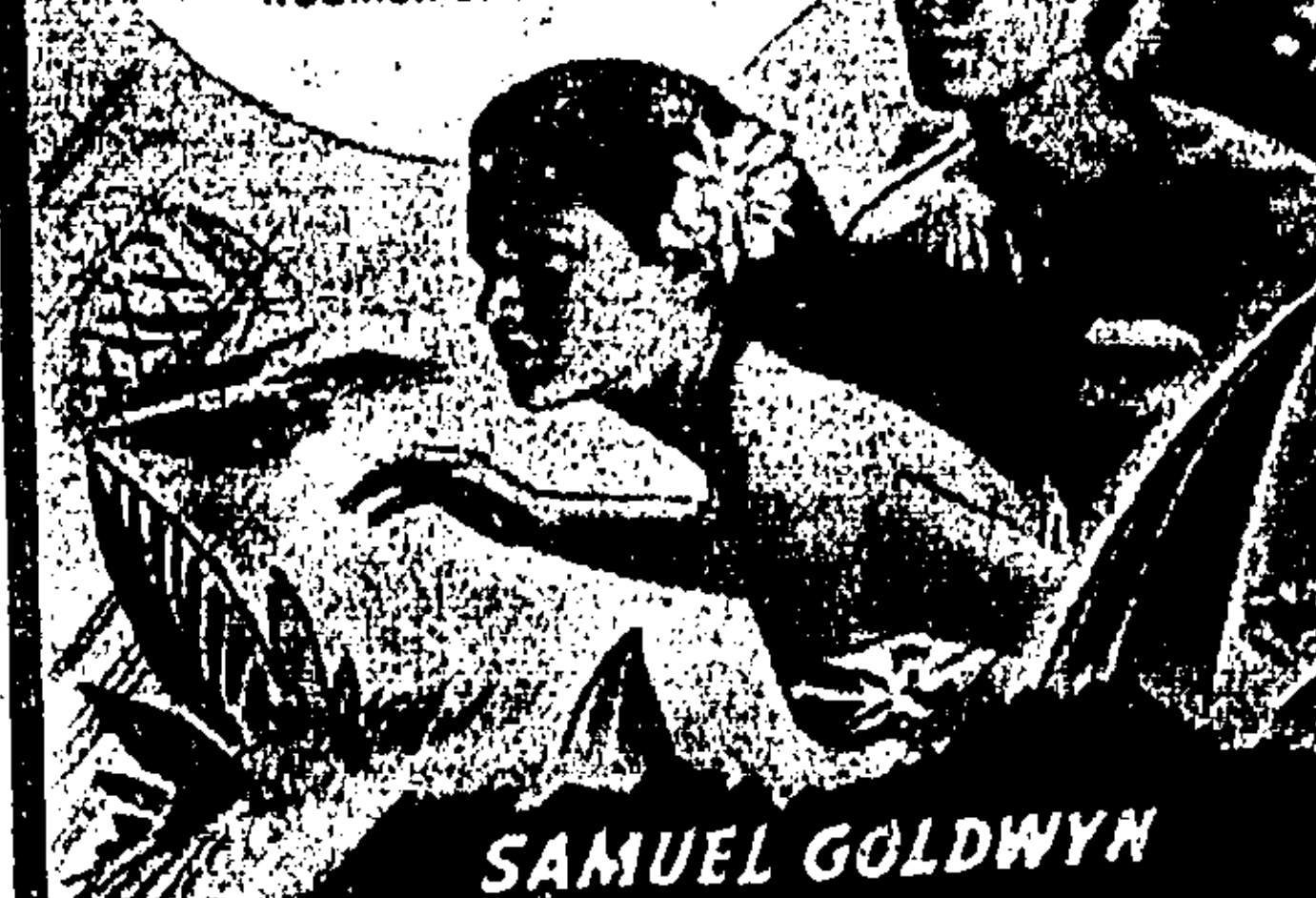
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SOUTH CHINA "A" HELD BY KOWLOON TO GOALLLESS DRAW

P.W.D. Surprise 5th A.A. Regt. DESERVING JUNIOR SHIELD VICTORY FORMER ATH. PLAYERS HELP 3RD DIV. TEAM

YESTERDAY at Sookunpoo, P.W.D. aided by several former Chinese Athletic players in Lai Kwok-chui, Ho Chor-yin, Ho Kar-keung and Wong Wing-hong, entered the semi-final round of the Junior Shield by virtue of a well-merited victory over 5th A.A. Regt. R.A. by 4 goals to 3. Gunners had the most of the play territorially, but lacked dangerous forwards with the exception of Calvert.

On the other hand P.W.D. were very dangerous and had the Gunners' defence on the run. This Third Division team deserved their victory for the way they fought back after Calvert had netted twice in the first half, to give Gunners a two goals lead.

Gunners were best served in defence by their two backs, Corbin and May, who worked very hard but who were panicky under pressure. Winstanley, the pivot, was the pick of the halves, while Calvert was the only forward who seemed to know where the goal lay. He started off at centre-forward, but later changed places with Dobbinson, at inside-left, and in the second half made the same changes, but with all his skill and encouragement he could not get the line working satisfactorily.

Bailey made some splendid saves in the P.W.D. goal and was ably supported by Tang Kwong-wing and Ho Chor-yin. Shiu Sam was a tower of strength at centre-half. In the forward line, both wingers alone as did Ho Kar-keung, who played a brilliant game at centre-forward.

Gunners were first to attack, but P.W.D. fought back and should have gone ahead through Wong Wing-hong, who snapped up a loose ball after the backs had collided due to a misunderstanding, but shot tamely into the keeper's hands.

Calvert opened the scoring when he received the ball well outside the goal area and flashed in a magnificent left-footed drive which gave Bailey no chance. From the kick-off, Gunners went further ahead when Calvert netted with a glorious first-time drive. It was all Gunners' play at this point, but eventually

P.W.D. broke away on the right and forced a corner. Loo Chi-yin, the right-half, took the corner and placed it perfectly for Chan Cheong to reduce P.W.D.'s arrears.

After the interval, P.W.D. broke through on the right and forced a corner which was again perfectly placed, Shiu Sam making no mistake to level the score.

P.W.D. now piled on the pressure and went ahead through Chan Cheong, who netted after the ball had rebounded off the cross-bar from a kick taken by Shiu Sam. P.W.D. went further ahead through Ho Kar-keung. From the kick-off, Gunners returned to the attack and were awarded a penalty from which Calvert failed to score; the ball hitting the keeper's legs. Close on time Dean scored for the Gunners with a long lob.

Just before P.W.D.'s last goal, Wong Wing-hong was injured and left the field for the rest of the game. 5th A.A. Regt.: Poole, Corbin, May, Whittle, Winstanley, Dean, Bardsley, Coughlan, Dobbinson, Calvert, and Percival.

P.W.D.: Bailey, Tang Kwong-wing, Ho Chor-yin, Loo Chi-yin, Shiu Sam, Lai Kwok-chui, Chan Cheong, Wong Wing-hong, Ho Kar-keung, Lo Tong and Fung King-yu.

Jennings' Last Minute Winning Goal

MIDDLESEX 2 KOWLOON 1

After a very slow and uninteresting encounter at Sookunpoo, Middlesex succeeded in defeating Kowloon by the odd goal in three after extra time.

The soldiers penned the Civilians in their own half for the greater

part of the game, but poor finishing by their forwards was responsible for the lack of goals. Both defences played well, but had little opposition.

Haigh and Thompson were very steady Middlesex defenders, especially the former, whose clean kicking was a feature of an otherwise dull match. The halves did all that was expected of them, while Taylor was the only forward who showed up to advantage.

Coleman, in Kowloon's goal, performed magnificently, and was well supported by two quick tackling backs in Humphrey and Gomes. Fernandes, in centre-half, was easily the pick of the half-back line and held Jennings for the greater part of the game. Only H. Santos displayed any ability among the forwards.

Middlesex took things too easily and did not score until after 15 minutes when Jennings netted with a curling shot.

On the resumption, Middlesex threw away their chances through too much short passing, and it came as no surprise when Kowloon broke through on the left-wing and White netted the equaliser. Middlesex lived up, but a lack of speed robbed them of the vital goal and full time arrived without any further scoring.

In the extra time Middlesex failed to score from a penalty, but with only a minute to go, Jennings broke the issue beyond doubt with a curling shot which hit the upright and finished up in the net.

Middlesex: — Drake; Haigh, Thompson; Whitehouse, R. Thomas, Riches; Taylor, Mellor, Jennings, Hiltchins and C. Thomas.

Kowloon: Coleman, Humphrey, Gomes; Abong, White, Grenaves and H. Santos.

SAPPERS SURPRISE S. CHINA

S. CHINA 'A' 0 ENGINEERS 3

The Junior Shield match at Castle Hill between South China 'A' and Royal Engineers resulted in a magnificent win for the latter by three clear goals.

In the early stages South China's short passing methods looked dangerous and gave the Engineers many anxious moments, while Hall, was netherly tested, but gradually the Sappers settled down to open play which baffled the Chinese.

Nouth, at pivot, fed both wings unsparingly and there is little doubt

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS AND SCORERS

SENIOR SHIELD—2ND ROUND

Kowloon.....	0	S. China "A".....	0
5th A.A. Regt. 3.....	3	P.W.D. 4.....	4
(Calvert 2, Dean)		(Ho Kar-keung 2, Shiu Sam)	
Middlesex.....	2	Kowloon.....	1
(Jennings 2)		(White)	
S. China "A".....	0	R. Engineers.....	3
(Gomes 2)		(Lowe 2, Fox)	

SECOND DIVISION

St. Joseph's.....	7	Eastern.....	0
(Campbell 2, Castro 2, Arlin, Wilkinson)			

THIRD DIVISION "A"

South China.....	2	Engineers (C.).....	1
(Loo Chi-yin 2)		(Morgan)	

THIRD DIVISION "B"

University.....	5	Powhattan.....	2
(Yip Yuen-shi 2, Yip Yuen-shi 2, Yip Yuen-shi 2, Yip Yuen-shi 2, Yip Yuen-shi 2)		(Yip Yuen-shi 2, Yip Yuen-shi 2)	

THIRD DIVISION "C"

Engineers (E.).....	2	A.S.A.	1
(Ellisley, Lewis)		(Souer)	

that Pike would have scored had he possessed the little more speed required to beat Tan Chin-fai and Li Wing-on.

On left-wing, Lowe played a fine game and opened the scoring, beating Chui Shui-lang with a rasping shot.

On the resumption, Sappers pressed strongly and forced a corner from which the ball struck Yuen Shui, who was covering Fox, on the head and entered his own net. At this stage Engineers had the Chinese entirely on the defensive and only brilliant keeping by Chui Shui-lang kept the score down. Fox, leader of the Sappers' attack, was very active and scored Sappers' third goal when the ball bounced off Chui Shui-lang's foot following a shot by Lowe. The game ended with Engineers on top.

South China "A": —Chui Shui-lang; Yuen Shui, Li Wing-on; Chen Hoi-cheung, Yan Wah-hing, Tam Chin-fai; Ip Yuen-po, Tin Yuen-fai, Chan Ching-yu, Luk Tak-han and Chin Chi-fai.

Engineers: —Hall; Hodges, Henth, Birrell, Nouth, Diamond; Pike, Pelham, Fox, Thomas and Lowe.

TO-DAY'S SOCCER

Only one soccer match will be featured in to-day's sports programme, South China "B" clashing with Eastern, in the Second Round of the Senior Shield Competition.

Both teams will be at full strength and a thrilling match is anticipated. South China "B" secured a bye in this round, but Eastern were featured in a stern First Round struggle with Royal Scots before they succeeded in making any progress.

LEAGUE TABLES TO DATE

FIRST DIVISION

Team	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
S. China "A"	12	10	0	2	43	10	20
Navy	12	8	3	1	36	17	19
Middlesex	12	6	1	5	25	23	13
Eastern	10	6	1	4	28	24	11
S. China "B"	12	5	1	6	21	22	11
Royal Scots	11	2	6	3	21	35	10
Police	12	5	0	7	25	37	10
Club	11	4	1	6	25	31	9
Kowloon	10	3	2	5	15	18	8
St. Joseph's	10	2	2	6	23	31	6
Kwong Wah	10	1	3	6	15	29	5

Totals.....122 51 20 51 278 278 122

SECOND DIVISION

Team	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
South China	13	11	1	1	35	14	24
Middlesex	12	9	1	2	56	24	19
5th A.A. Regt.	12	8	3	1	38	16	19
Royal Scots	12	8	1	3	33	12	17
St. Joseph's	10	6	0	4	30	12	12
R.A.O.C.	12	5	2	5	42	32	12
Kwong Wah	12	5	0	7	31	42	9
Engineers (E.)	11	4	7	0	36	9	9
Kowloon	11	4	0	7	18	31	8
Police	12	2	2	8	16	43	6
Eastern	12	0	4	8	15	51	4
Club	11	0	1	10	8	44	1

Totals.....140 62 16 62 358 358 140

THIRD DIVISION—"A" SECTION

Team	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Royal Scots	14	12	2	0	43	11	26
South China	12	7	3	2	29	19	17
30th Hq. Bty.	12	6	1	5	32	23	13
Kit Chee	11	5	1	5	28	21	11
P.W.D.	11	4	3	4	22	33	11
Stanley	12	3	3	6	24	27	9
Engineers (C.)	12	3	3	6	24	31	9
5th A.A. Regt.	12	3	3	6	19	35	9
Electric	10	4	0	6	25	24	8
R.A.S.C.	12	2	1	9	27	49	5

Totals.....118 49 20 49 273 273 118

THIRD DIVISION—"B" SECTION

Team	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
R.A.F.	13	12	0	1	43	12	24
Scutters W/T	13	10	1	2	55	13	21
24th Hq. Bty.	12	8	2	2	45	19	18
R.A.M.C.	13	6	3	4	35	23	15
Signals	13	6	2	5	36	23	14
Yamson Rifles	13	4	2	7	26	38	10
Engineers (B.)	13	4	2	7	20	36	10
University	8	4	1	3	20	13	9
Powhattan	14	1	1	12	17	74	3
A.S.A.	14	1	0	13	8	54	2

Totals.....126 56 14 56 305 305 126

Hartley's Inspired Goalkeeping

SECOND DIVISION

Saints Over-Run Eastern 7-0

At Happy Valley, St. Joseph's overwhelmed a weak Eastern team in a game which provided little entertainment.

Both teams started short of players, but had St. Joseph's forwards taken their opportunities their score would easily have reached double figures.

Eastern were best served by their left back, Campos (3) and Wilkinson scored for Saints in the first half and Castro (2) and Azim completed their final tally.

THIRD DIVISION

SOUTH CHINA 2 R.E. (C.) 1

R. Engineers (C) were unfortunate to lose to South China at Castle Hill, both South China's goals coming from penalties.

Engineers had the run of the play, but held into the half too long in front of goal. Chin Kam-pin, in the inside-left position, was outstanding with his clever feeding of both wings and the manner in which he covered the area between the halves and forwards. S. China opened the scoring through Lee Yan-leung from the "spot" and in the second-half, Sappers conceded a further penalty which was converted by the same player. Engineers' efforts were eventually rewarded when a shot by Lai Wai-lam struck the upright and entered the net.

5TH A.A. REGT. 1 KIT CHEE 3

In this encounter at Happy Valley, Kit Chee played throughout with only ten men and gave a very good performance.

Kit Chee were the better side, their outstanding players being Kwong King-hing and Chan Kai-lai, among the forwards, and Tang Wong-hing, in defence. The Gunners were best served by McCadden, in the forward line, while Burkinshaw was the only forward to impress.

Kit Chee took the lead when a mis-kick by Kirby saw the ball spin out of McCadden's hands into the net, but Morgan soon equalised. Kit Chee increased their lead through Kwong King-hing and completed their score with a good goal by Shu Shui-shing.

POWHATTON 2 UNIVERSITY 5

University had a comfortable victory over Powhattan at the Valley, but good football was conspicuous by its absence.

University opened the scoring when their inside-left easily beat Lee Wing-sang, but Powhattan should have equalised immediately, but failed to score in front of an open goal. Further "varity" goals were added by Yung Kin-lin and Tam Kong-yue. On the resumption, University went further ahead through Yip Lai-yan and Cheung Lee-hai. Powhattan replied through Woo Ah-choy and Tam Yuk-lin.

ENGINEERS (E) 2 A.S.A. 1

The Engineers were a man short at the commencement of this game at Happy Valley.

A.S.A. played remarkably good football and only poor finishing prevented them from scoring. Souse was very dangerous on the left.

Against the run of the play Ellesley placed the soldiers in the lead. A.S.A. were distinctly unlucky to be a goal in arrears as they were definitely playing superior football. Box, of the Engineers, put in some sound defensive work, kicking and tackling well.

Early in the second-half the soldiers went further ahead when Lewis scored and in the closing stages of the game Souse netted A.S.A.'s only goal.

Box and Sarsfield played well for the soldiers, while Souse, Gorachenko, and Yureff were outstanding for A.S.A.

BIG SOFTBALL PROGRAMME

An entertaining holiday programme of Women's Softball League matches has been arranged for to-morrow, as follows:

Cuba v Wildcats (Filipino Club, 10 a.m.)

Panthers v Wahoes (Filipino Club, 11.30 a.m.)

Recreo v Canadian (C.) (Recreo, 11 a.m.)

C.B.A. v Pirates (C.B.A., 3.30 p.m.)

FANLING HUNT

The Fanling Hunt will meet this afternoon at 2.45 p. m. at "Annadale".

DULL OPENING LEADS TO THRILLING FINISH AFTER EXTRA TIME

LAU TAU MAN BEST FORWARD

SAINTS MEET NAVY IN SENIOR SHIELD TO-MORROW

WITH their team below full strength owing to illness, Kowloon confounded the critics at Chatham Road ground yesterday by forcing a draw with the formidable South China "A" eleven, neither side registering a goal in spite of extra time.

After a dull first half, in which play was lifeless and confined mainly to mid-field, the game opened up in the second period and towards the end of extra time, with both sides fighting grimly for the winning point, the game took on a thrilling aspect.

Kowloon have much to thank their defence for, for although South China's forwards never reached their best form they were always dangerous and on several occasions only the wonderful goalkeeping of Hartley saved the day.

Hartley gave about the best display of his career, one of his saves from the feet of Kwok Ying-ki, the South China inside-left, being worthy of special mention.

Maxwell, right-half for Kowloon, was the best half-back on view and his task was made no easier by the fact that Lau Tau-man was in his best form. Bliss was steady as usual, in the centre-half berth, and Eastman, after a shaky first-half, played a sterling game in the second period.

Amongst the forwards, Jorge and Rierson were the most dangerous, although Cruz and Santos, who were promoted from the second eleven, did many useful things.

Fung King-cheong was badly off form and the only Chinese forward to give anxiety was Lau Tau-man. Lau Hing-chol and Leung Wing-chai were the best of a good back line, while Pau Ka-ping was safe in goal.

Kowloon opened strongly, Bliss sending the left-wing away with a good pass, but from Cruz's centre Rierson lofted the ball over the bar. South China then attacked and Bliss robbed Fung King-cheong just in time.

The ball appeared very difficult to control, both sides suffering much from mis-kicking. The first really dangerous move arrived when Lau Tau-man went through on the left and only a grand save by Hartley prevented South China from going ahead. The Chinese were lucky, however, when Maxwell and Jorge broke through only for Pau Ka-ping to come out of his goal to block Maxwell's shot.

The Chinese were obviously unsettled by Kowloon's first-time tackling methods and were not allowed to settle down.

China attacked and Lal Shui-wing sent in a scorching shot which proved too hot for Hartley to hold and the ball dropped behind him, but fortunately he was well out of his goal and was able to retrieve the ball and clear safely.

South China again went close when, from a centre by Tang Kwong-sum, Kwok Ying-ki headed the ball goalwards and Hartley was forced to concede a corner to save. Just before half time, Ulrich was injured and forced to retire, but returned just as the half time whistle blew.

In the second-half, Kowloon re-organised their forward line, Rierson moving to the wing and Cruz going into the centre.

Ulrich did not return until five minutes after the interval and had obviously hurt his leg badly.

Tang Kwong-sum broke away on the right for South China and the Kowloon defenders were rather lucky to break up the attack and clear. South China looked dangerous when Lal Shui-wing gave Fung King-cheong an easy opening, but returned forward banged his shot. South China again nearly took the lead when Kwok Ying-ki took the ball through on his own, but Hartley came out of his goal and dived at the inside-left's feet to save grandly.

South China were having much more of the play at this stage and a centre by Lau Tau-man was missed by three players, anyone of whom could have scored.

Kowloon eventually found their feet, however, and Rierson made a good run down the wing, but Pau Ka-ping brought off a fine save to keep his charge intact. Lau Tau-man again sent across a centre for his three inside-forwards to miss the ball completely. Full time came with no score and extra time was played.

Kowloon kicked off and attacked strongly only for a shot by Cruz to graze the upright. South China had the better of the first period, however, although no score resulted.

In the final 10 minutes, Kowloon Ying-ki and Lau Tau-man.

SAINTS MEET NAVY IN SENIOR SHIELD TO-MORROW

LAU TAU MAN BEST FORWARD

SAINTS MEET NAVY IN SENIOR SHIELD TO-MORROW

An excellent Association Football programme will be featured to-morrow when two matches in the Second Round of the Senior Shield and a Second Division League match will be played.

The best match on the programme will be the clash between St. Joseph's and Royal Navy, at Causeway Bay, where the former will be turning out one of their most powerful sides in several seasons.

St. Joseph's defeated Kwong Wah in the First Round quite comfortably, but against the Navy to-morrow they will have to bring all their guns into action if they hope to make any further progress.

The presence of C. F. Remedios (right-back), N. Beltrao (centre-half) and A. V. Gosano (centre-forward) should draw a large crowd as these three made a world of difference to Portugal's International Cup team which so convincingly trounced Ireland by 7 goals to 1.

Saints have a very fast attack and splendid defence, and if they display anything like their best form then the Sailors will be in for a shock.

Navy will also be represented by a very strong team, probably one of the best they can field at any time.

In the other Senior Shield match Club, who surprisingly defeated Middlesex recently, clash with the re-organised Police team.

In the remaining (Junior) encounter, Police are expected to take both points off Club seconds.

The following is to-day's and next Wednesday's programme:

TO-DAY

Senior Shield 2nd Round
S. China "B" v Eastern
(Causeway Bay, 3.30 p.m.)

TO-MORROW

Senior Shield 2nd Round
St. Joseph's v Royal Navy
(Causeway Bay, 3.30 p.m.)

Club v Police
(Club, 4 p.m.)



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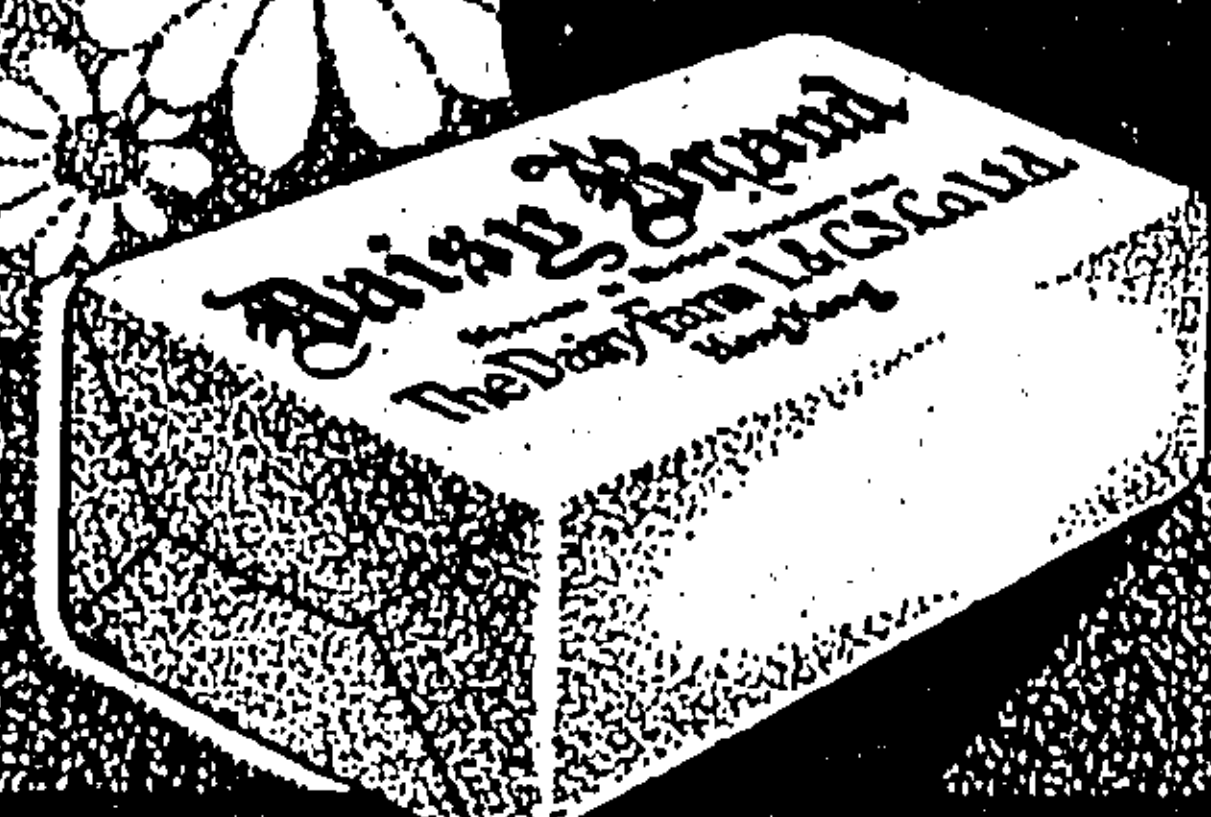
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You'll be glad you met FOTHERINGHAM

HAVING inherited £100,000 from the forgotten great-uncle and acquired an all-oak Tudor residence in Surrey, the next step, said my wife, Beattie, was a butler.

A butler! And in the dear old days on the Sutton by-pass, when I worked for my living and Beattie worked for me, we considered ourselves lucky if the local char consented to come on Sundays.

A butler, indeed! What should we do with him? But Beattie said that was not the point. The butler, if he was a good butler, would know what to do with us. One of those well-bred specimens who have spent their youth with the same family. The only difficulty was to find a man of this type. They did not come into the open market.

"They sell privately, like prize peaches?" I hazarded.

"Yes," said Beattie, who was not listening. She was studying the front page of the respectable morning paper we now read, in which I got helplessly lost every time I opened it.

"Listen to this," said Beattie. "Captain Freshwater, late Rhodesian Rifles, he is a valet-butler, with whom he is only parting with regret, as he is going abroad. Write Box 665666."

That's exactly what I said. "It's a phrase. I'm sober, honest, and reliable." But I'd get as drunk as a lord if I got a chance, forgo signatures if I know how to, and I forgot to put out the dog again last night.

The reply came on notepaper duly stamped with the address of a well-known military club in London, West.

He's an odd sort of fellow and he's going to appear in a different SHORT STORY each week during January. The stories are written by JOHN HEYGATE.



don, West. Captain Freshwater, according to Beattie, was a bachelor, which accounted for his precise and somewhat puerile handwriting, the type in which I myself used to copy out 100 times: "John Bunyan wrote the 'Pilgrim's Progress', John Bunyan wrote the 'Pilgrim's progress' in my schooldays."

The captain was full of his butler's praises. Fotheringham, as he was called, did everything possible and was as free of vices as a new-born lamb. "I can thoroughly recommend Fotheringham," the captain concluded. "He is sober, honest, and reliable."

"There!" exclaimed Beattie. "That means nothing," I said. "It's a phrase. I'm sober, honest, and reliable." But I'd get as drunk as a lord if I got a chance, forgo signatures if I know how to, and I forgot to put out the dog again last night.

We saw, First we saw Fotheringham's handwriting, which was not unlike the captain's, only his "John Bunyan wrote the 'Pilgrim's Progress'" sloped the other way. Then we saw Fotheringham himself. The next thing I knew he was installed in the house. From that moment dates



the decline and fall of my personal liberty.

He was not a bad bloke in himself. He even showed occasional traces of being human to begin with. Maybe I was frightened of Fotheringham and he got frightened of me—I don't know what the reason was but our relations were soon became what without any exaggeration you might call "strained."

In the old days on the Sutton by-pass I remember enjoying such humble tasks as helping myself to an occasional bottle of beer and lighting up a cheap kind of weed we used to call a cigar as a treat on Saturday nights.

But since the arrival of Fotheringham I was not allowed to move hand or foot. Food and drink were put before me, cigars—real cigars—were stuffed into my mouth and set on fire. It was as much as I dared to take an occasional deep and honest breath of my own. Anything which involved an effort was apparently vulgar.

And not only was it vulgar to do things for yourself, but it Fotheringham fell into step transparent that there was a right side me. He was carrying a way and a wrong way of having camp stool, my raincoat, and a them done for you. My way, hamper which looked large and it seemed, was always the wrong one to last us until the next way. It did not matter whether close season for pond fishes. It was the shirt I wore with the We fished. That is to say I held tie or the tie with the shirt or the rod. Fotheringham prepared both with the suit or the suit with the worm, threaded it, and tossed both, you could depend for certain it into the air. When the hook tain on my being wrong, became entangled in some submerged wreckage and I was about Fotheringham with elaborate to enjoy the fisherman's thrill of disinterest, "always had separate deceiving himself that he has a braces for each pair of trousers, bite, it was Fotheringham who, it was consequently unnecessary with great dignity, instantly to remove them."

Did he? Captain Freshwater actually attach the fish to the might have. But I had had one hook. No doubt Captain Freshwater of braces and I had had them water never caught anything, as long as I could remember. Suddenly the float began to sink, and I wore them with all two skittishly, then settled down to of my lounge suite and my grey old-fashioned waltz. Round flannel gardening bags. and round went my favourite red But now the hanging cupboard and white quill, drawn by some in my dressing room was dripping monster of the deep at whose with lounge suits and evening identity I could make a pretty

outfits. They were strung up there in dozens like bladders on a line. Captain Freshwater, I suppose, was right. So, with a lump in my throat, I let Fotheringham fit out each pair of bladders with their own braces. When the deed was done I was too dejected to protest that my mauve and white heirloom had vanished. It was the same with everything. Captain Freshwater always had it like that. Captain Freshwater always did this or did that. "When I was with Captain Freshwater."

In these moments I remembered with a bitter smile Beattie's words: "Some one who has spent his life in a gentleman's service." Her words had come miserably true. That was Fotheringham. He had become Captain Freshwater, and Captain Freshwater had become him until they had ended in becoming one flesh and blood, now allied in everlasting partnership against me and my rapidly disintegrating will power. I was beginning to give up the struggle. Captain Freshwater, late Rhodesian Rifles, whatever they might be, was too strong for me.

So I abdicated. I let Fotheringham and the captain rule me. I wore their ties and their suits, smoked their brand of cigars and drank their wines and spirits. When it rained on them, I accepted an umbrella. When it was turning colder for them, it was best that I took an overcoat and I took one. The combination had got me groggy.

And having got me where they liked, they abandoned all consistency in their tactics. Captain Freshwater, I now noticed, had become a most contradictory gentleman. He liked things done one way on Mondays, another on Tuesdays and a third on Wednesdays. According to his mood, I suppose. Or, Fotheringham's mood. It was all the same.

However, there was one private hobby, vice or sport which I had not yet abandoned. That was fishing. As ex-holder of the Merstham and District Canal Fishing Club's annual trophy, I determined to try my luck one afternoon in the local pond. I had often gazed at its thick, brown waters. It shows what a state I had got into when I say it had never occurred to me that there might be fish there and these fish might welcome a worm. "Why don't you take Fotheringham with you?" said Beattie. "He could help with the worms."

"Not likely!" He'd want to thread them from the reel down to the hook. Anyhow, I doubt if Captain Freshwater fishes."

However, as I slunk out of the house by the side door and set out happily towards the pond, do things for yourself, but it Fotheringham fell into step transparent that there was a right side me. He was carrying a way and a wrong way of having camp stool, my raincoat, and a them done for you. My way, hamper which looked large and it seemed, was always the wrong one to last us until the next way. It did not matter whether close season for pond fishes. It was the shirt I wore with the We fished. That is to say I held tie or the tie with the shirt or the rod. Fotheringham prepared both with the suit or the suit with the worm, threaded it, and tossed both, you could depend for certain it into the air. When the hook tain on my being wrong, became entangled in some submerged wreckage and I was about Fotheringham with elaborate to enjoy the fisherman's thrill of disinterest, "always had separate deceiving himself that he has a braces for each pair of trousers, bite, it was Fotheringham who, it was consequently unnecessary with great dignity, instantly to remove them."

That night I decided to murder Captain Freshwater. It was quite simple. He had no home in England and by this time was probably in the jungles or waterfalls of Rhodesia. I just sent his death to the paper.

"Died suddenly of apoplexy following acute gastric poisoning—Captain Ernest Freshwater, late Rhodesian Rifles, Funeral Friday."

I took the copy of the paper and showed it to Fotheringham.

"I see your old friend the Captain is no more," I said. "Apoplexy on top of gastric poisoning. Been doing himself a bit too well. I shouldn't wonder."

Fotheringham read through the announcement and turned as white as a sheet. He gripped the table to support himself.

"I expect you'll want to go to the funeral, Fotheringham."

Suddenly the man began to shake. Tears, real genuine human tears, formed in his eyes. I had no idea he had been so fond of the man.

"Cheer up, old fellow," I said. "Maybe it's a mistake. Maybe it's some one else who's overreacted himself."

"No, no," said Fotheringham, shaking me off and drying his eyes. Then he drew himself up to attention and stood with his head bowed, arms at his sides.

"There never was a Captain Freshwater," he said.

"What? No Captain Freshwater? But there must be, if he's just died."

"I came to you on a forged reference, sir. I'd never had a job (Continued on Page 19)



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Former First Lord Of The Admiralty, Examines A Remarkable New Book

Of many books it is said that everybody should read them. But everybody is very busy and most of the books that contain an important message are very long. In the modern world, which some people wrongly believe to be divided between Communists and Fascists, there are two books which would appear to have had an outstanding effect upon opinion. Yet it would be interesting to know how many Communists have read *Das Kapital* and how many National Socialists have read *Mein Kampf* from cover to cover. Such statistics are unfortunately unobtainable, but writing as one who has made a conscientious effort to master both these works, I venture to believe that among those who are ready to die for the principles laid down in them, the percentage of those who have actually read them is very small.

Now a book has appeared of first rate importance which delivers its whole message in under two hundred well printed pages. The message is one which the world is longing for, because it contains the logical foundations of that faith in which most men instinctively, if subconsciously believe, and which emphatically condemns the errors of Communism and of Fascism. The book is called *The Totalitarian State against Man* and the author is Count Richard Coudenhove-Kalergi.

Never before, so far as I am aware, have the Far East and Central Europe combined to produce such a remarkable man. Count Coudenhove-Kalergi's father was descended from an ancient family of Flemish origin, settled for many centuries in Bohemia and was serving in the Austro-Hungarian diplomatic service when he met and married a Japanese lady. The Count is thus enabled to bring to the contemplation of modern problems not only the bitter experience of one who grew up in post-war Europe but also the vast accumulations of learning that are stored in the treasure houses of the East. He is able to remind us

that a Chinese idealist, Wang Mang, introduced socialism into China more than two thousand years ago with such disastrous results that the Chinese have never tried it again. And he is able to suggest to us that in matters of cleanliness and politeness Europe has still something to learn from Japan.

The main thesis of this short book may be summed up in a few words. The State was made by man as an instrument for his own protection and development. Without the advantages that the State provides man cannot hope to reach his full stature. The object and purpose of the state is the production of the highest type of individual. False doctrine has led men to mistake what is really a means to a certain end for the end itself. As so often in the past man has come to worship his own handiwork, to make a master out of what was designed to be a servant, to set up the state as something holy and worshipful and to sacrifice himself and his fellows at the altar of this new idolatry.

The author does not underrate the importance of the state, but he insists upon the limits of that importance. It is not at the perfect state that we should aim but at the perfect human being and because the Totalitarian State cramps and confines the growth and liberty of human beings, it is the enemy of the highest hopes of civilization.

In remarkably few words and with commendable clarity the author distinguishes between different types of totalitarian states and explores their genesis. The origin of evil was the class war

out of which sprang Communism and Communism produced the Soviet Government, which is still the most detestable tyranny of all. It was the not unjustifiable fear of Communism that produced the reaction of Fascism. In the clash of these two movements freedom perished. Nor was it by chance or oversight that freedom was destroyed. As ever, it was the blindness and folly of man that were the cause of his own misfortunes. In the violence of class warfare, the Communist did not care if he lost his liberty so long as he destroyed his neighbour's property, and the Fascist parted regretfully with his freedom in return for a somewhat doubtful certificate of his right to retain his belongings.

Those who framed the French Revolutionary slogan, Liberty Equality and Fraternity, failed to understand that liberty and equality are, owing to the imperfections of humanity, incompatible with one another. Abolish all distinctions and give to every man the same wage, in a few weeks if men are left to themselves there will be rich and poor, masters and servants. Some men are wise and others foolish, some save money, others spend it, some by nature take the lead and others follow. Plant bulbs and sow seeds of the same size, some plants will grow taller than others. The only way of keeping them level is periodically to cut off the heads of the taller—a system which the Soviet Government seems to be following, but which it is to be hoped, can hardly continue indefinitely.

Count Coudenhove-Kalergi believes that it will not continue and for this reason he is able to close on a note of optimism. States must be founded on Right as well as upon Might. If they lack either the one or the other are doomed to destruction. The League of Nations failed because it had no Might to maintain the Right which it stood for. The totalitarian state must fail also because it is without Right. The overthrow of the Soviet regime through a Capitalist crusade would however be an irreparable catastrophe because it would enable Marxists to maintain for centuries that Bolshevism was destroyed by force just when it was about to justify its existence. It must be allowed to perish of its congenital diseases.

The Count believes that "as the end of Fascism will follow the end of Bolshevism. It will have fulfilled its mission. The twilight of the totalitarian state has set in."

But we must see to it that we profit by experience and gain something from the lesson so painfully learnt. The class warfare was born in poverty and slavery and until we get rid of these the class warfare will be always with us. It is

possible to abolish poverty—and slavery in the modern world not by old fashioned theories of Socialism but by modern methods of production. Technical knowledge provides the key to improved conditions. Owing to the inventions of science man can now produce all that he needs in abundance without working for hours and in conditions which render life intolerable. Aristotle wrote that slavery must continue unless machinery could do the work of the slaves. The machinery has been invented and its invention should prove the true charter of liberty.

Technical knowledge, however, must be accompanied by a spiritual awakening which will enable men to employ it to its greatest value. That greatest value is not the making of money but the improvement of life. A new fraternal revolution is demanded which will animate the minds of men with good will towards their fellows.

The conclusion at which this author of Flemish Austro-Hungarian-Japanese origin, writing in the German language, arrives is that the world need not despair so long as at the helm a nation is keeping watch which has clung passionately to personal freedom for nearly one thousand years. Its spirit watches on the North Sea and on all the shores of the world's oceans. It is the spirit of Athens, of freedom and of personality to which the greater half of humanity today does homage.

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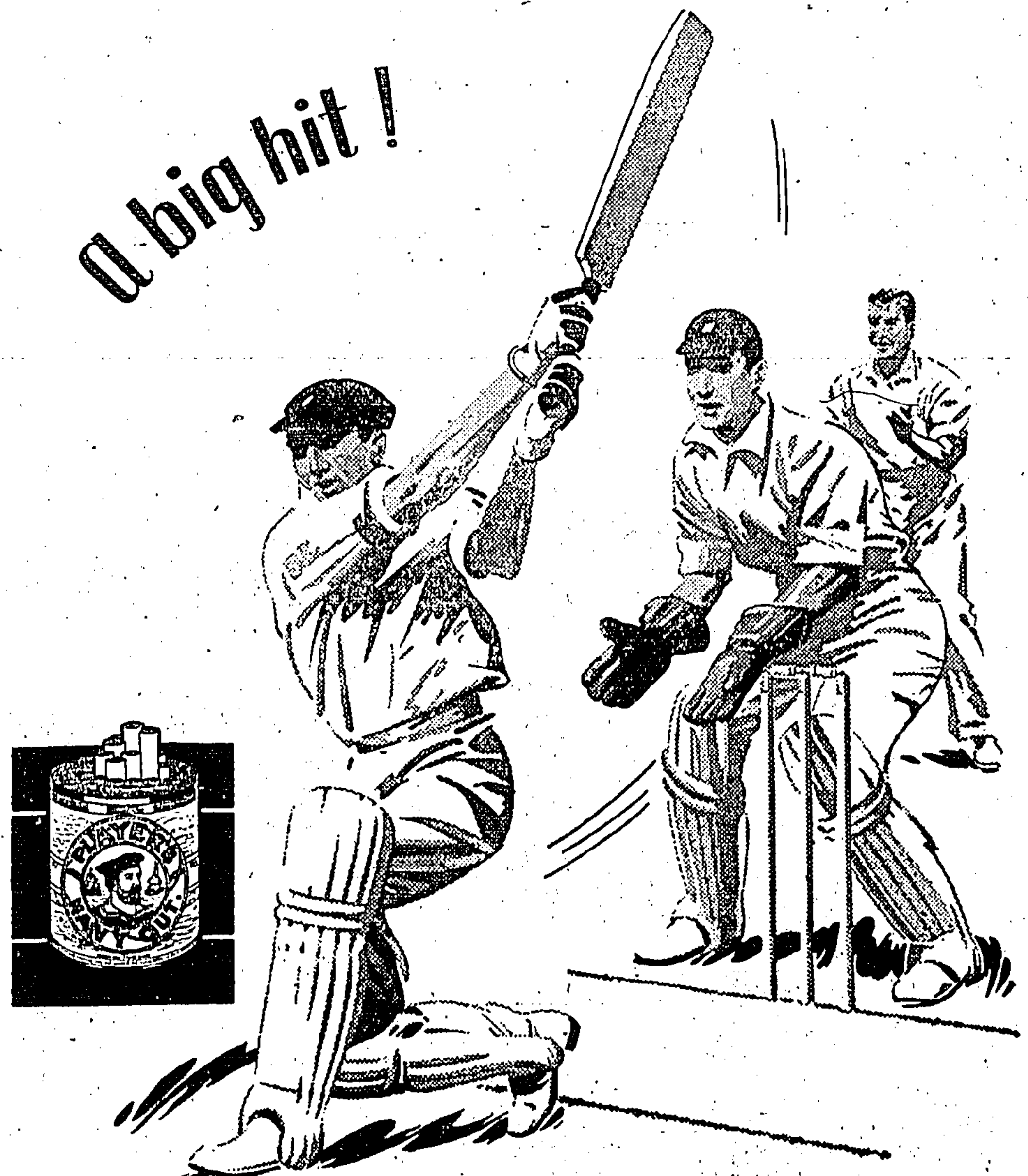
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before. I stole a sheet of notepaper from a club, I wrote the recommendation from Captain Freshwater, and I answered it myself. I knew you'd find out sooner or later. Oh, sir, the agony I've been through!"

"Strike me pink?" was all I could think of saying.

"I'm easier now I've told you. I've lain awake at night wondering if there was a real Captain Freshwater, who would come along one day with a policeman and a pair of handcuffs. Now I'm ready for them. I'll go when you like. But let me implore you, sir—never do a dishonest deed. It's awful."

"I suppose it is. Fotheringham," I said. "I suppose it is. On thinking things over it seems to me that either we had better both go and give ourselves up to the nearest Robert—or we had better both stay here together and not say a word to Beattie—I mean the Misau. You've given birth to a non-existent person in the shade of Captain Freshwater. Fotheringham. And I've murdered him. On the whole we're safer together."

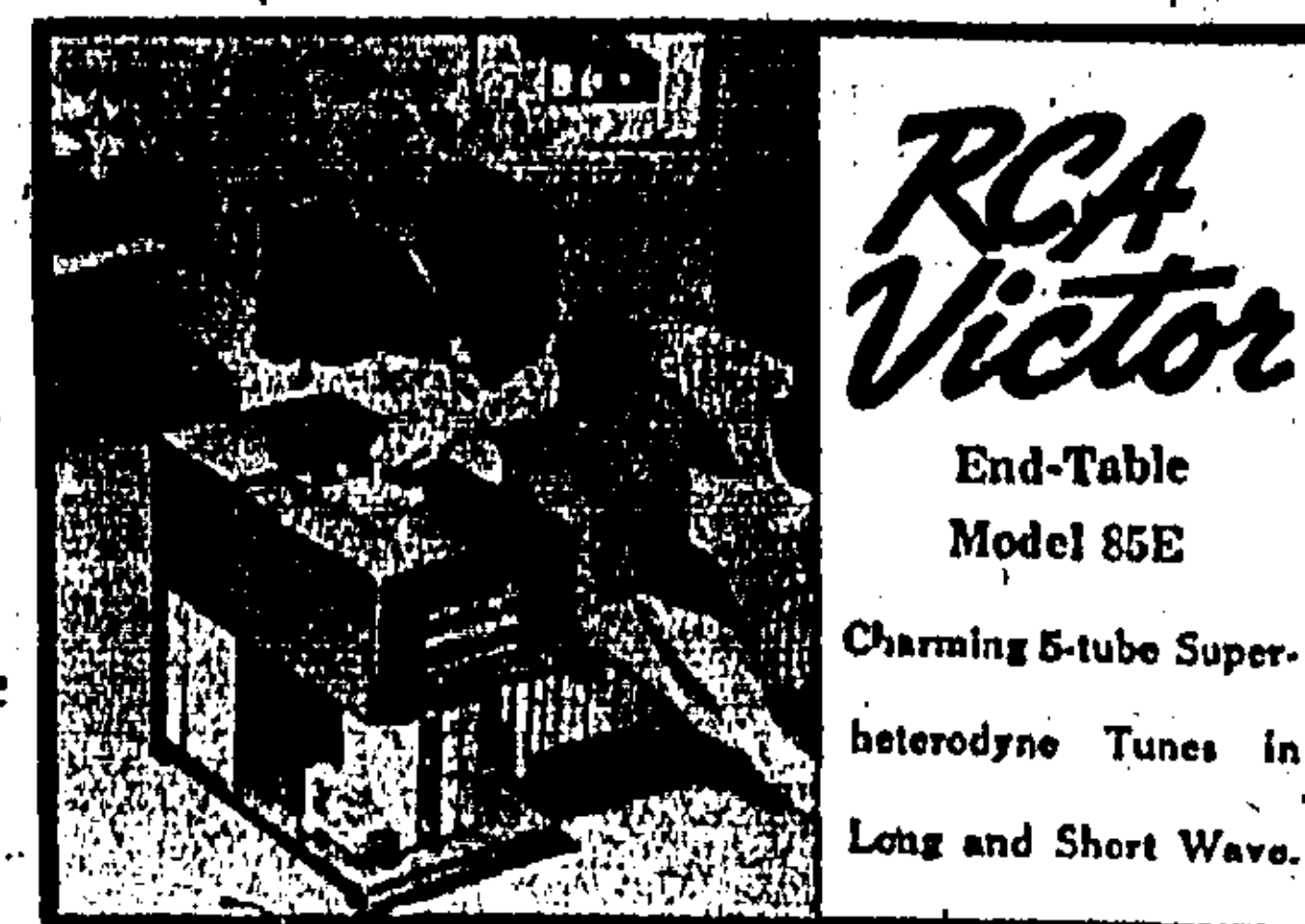


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ROMANOFF ROYAL JEWELS TO PASS TO POLAND

Warsaw, Yesterday.
A considerable part of the treasure of the former Russian Imperial Family will pass into the possession of the Polish State on January 1.

The jewels are of the greatest historic value and include the crown of Nicholas the First, the famous diamond necklace of Empress Maria Feodorovna, the orb and sceptre of the Russian Czars, the crown of Alexander the Second and numerous other objects of a value of 15 million gold roubles.

The treasure was deposited in the safes of the Polish State Bank in Warsaw in 1923.

In the Riga Peace Treaty between Poland and the Soviet Union in 1921, the latter promised to return Polish art treasures and jewels brought from Poland to Russia in pre-war times.

These included jewels of the value of 30 million gold roubles collected in Warsaw during the Polish Rebellion of 1830.

In 1923 it was agreed that Poland should receive as compensation jewels from Romanoff treasure.

The Soviet Government, however, reserved the right of repurchase within fifteen years. This period expired on December 31 this year. —Trans-Ocean.

AMNESTY TO FRENCH SPANISH VOLUNTEERS

Paris, Yesterday.
The French Chamber of Deputies to-day granted a full amnesty to Frenchmen who have been fighting as volunteers in the Spanish Civil War.

Frenchmen fighting in Spain were unable to serve in the French Army during the crisis.

Many of these volunteers are now in prison in France for declining the call to the colours in September, when they preferred to fight for the Spanish Government. —Reuter.

SHEFFIELD SHIELD MATCHES

Sydney, Yesterday.
Scores in Sheffield Shield matches to-day were:
At Melbourne, Victoria 490
South Australia 240 for 4 wickets.

At Sydney, New South Wales 214
Queensland 18 for 1 wicket. —Reuter.

FROST FOLLOWS HEAVY RAINS

London, Yesterday.
Throughout the country to-day roads were treacherous for motoring, owing to frost following on yesterday's heavy rainfall.

In the North of England and in Wales, there were slight falls of snow to-day.

In Kent, in the Medway Valley, several minor roads were under two feet of water. —Reuter.



Miss Penelope Dodwell, ten-year-old daughter of the Hon. Mr. S. H. and Mrs. Dodwell, launching the new vessel for the Union Waterboat Company this week.

RESHUFFLE OF JAPANESE CABINET

Tokyo, Yesterday.
The paper "Yomiuri Shimbun" reports that the Premier, Prince Kono, will call upon the President of the Council of State, Prince Salongi, on January 5, that is the day before the next Cabinet Council, in order to discuss with the Prince the question of eventual reorganisation of the Cabinet.

Since such visits in the past have always been a prelude to important political decisions, political quarters here attach the greatest importance to the announcement. —Trans-Ocean.

DAMASCUS DEMONSTRATION

Beirut, Yesterday.
Before the opening of the session of the Syrian Parliament to-day, at which the new Franco-Syrian Agreement will come up for debate, several thousand students and schoolboys held a demonstration in the streets of Damascus.

The demonstrators demanded immediate proclamation of an independent Syrian state.

Although there were some minor clashes between the demonstrators and police, none appears to have been seriously hurt. —Trans-Ocean.

STOP PRESS

Berlin, Yesterday.
The Anglo-German naval conversations, which began here with representatives of the British Admiralty on Thursday, have been concluded, according to informed quarters here.

It is believed that an official communique on the outcome of the conversations will be published in the course of the day. —Trans-Ocean.

Close of Play Scores:
England 181 for 2 wickets.
P. A. Gibb, not out 56
Hammond, not out 54
Hammond was driving splendidly after early shakings, when he was twenty minutes without scoring. The partnership added 100 in 112 minutes.

SHAKY START IN TEST AFTER RAIN

Capetown, Yesterday.
England made a very shaky start, on a rain-soaked wicket, in the second Test Match against South Africa, which opened here to-day.

Hutton, making his first Test appearance against South Africa, and Paynter, hero of the Johannesburg game, both failed.

There was no play before lunch this morning owing to heavy rain which fell after midnight, and at 11.30 a.m. it was still raining slightly.

Play was not started till 3.30 this afternoon, after a couple of inspections of the wicket and surrounding damp patches by the two captains.

England won the toss and Hammond elected to bat. England opened with the Yorkshire pair, Hutton (who was out of the first Test owing to injury) and P. A. Gibb, but made a disastrous start.

Two wickets, those of Hutton and Paynter, fell in half an hour for only 30 runs.

Hutton was first to go, being bowled by Gordon for 17. (29 for 1). The young Yorkshireman hit a six and one four.

Paynter was beaten by an off-break and was l.b.w. to Langton for one. (30 for 2).

No tea interval was taken.

ENGLAND—1ST INNINGS

Hutton, b. Gordon 17
P. A. Gibb, not out 10
Paynter, l.b.w. Langton 1
Extras 2

Total (for two wickets) 30

W. R. Hammond, B. H. Valentine, Edrich, Ames, Verity, Wright, Goddard and Farnes to bat.

Fall of wickets: 1 (Hutton) for 29; 2 (Paynter) for 30.

South Africa: — A. Melville (Capt.), B. Mitchell, A. B. C. Langton, W. Wade, J. Briscoe, A. D. Nourse, P. Van der Byl, E. W. Davies, Balakrishna, N. Gordon and Kewan.

BRITISH SHIP MYSTERY: CREW ABANDON UNDAMAGED VESSEL

London, Yesterday.
Previously reported to have been sunk by Spanish Nationalist bombers, the 4,214-ton British steamer "Marioga," is now learned to be safe.

The vessel was attacked by Nationalist aircraft off the Balearics, and first reports stated that the crew of thirty had taken to the boats and that the ship had presumably foundered.

The Admiralty now states that reports received in London reveal that the ship is safe and undamaged.

ALL PICKED UP

None of the crew, which did in fact abandon ship, are hurt, and all were picked up by a destroyer.

The Nationalists have returned the ship to the crew, and she is now returning to Oran.

The "Marioga," which until recently had been flying the Greek flag, was on her way from Oran to Barcelona, and was stated to be carrying no contraband. —Reuter.

CHAMBERLAIN PROGRAMME DURING VISIT TO ROME

Rome, Yesterday.
Before proceeding to the Palazzo Venezia on January 12 for the first conversation with Mussolini, Mr. Neville Chamberlain and his Foreign Minister, Lord Halifax, will lay a wreath on the grave of the Italian Unknown Soldier.

In the evening of the same day, Mr. Chamberlain and Lord Halifax will be received by Prince Colonna, Governor of Rome, at the Capitol, and later they will be guests of Count Ciano, the Italian Foreign Minister, at dinner.

A second conversation with Il Duce will take place on the afternoon of January 13.

FURTHER MEETINGS NOT UNLIKELY

The newspapers state that although arrangements have been made for only two visits to Il Duce, it is not unlikely that there will be further conversations between Mr. Chamberlain and Mussolini, and Lord Halifax and Count Ciano, "owing to the great importance of the subjects to be discussed." —Reuter.

BOY SCOUTS JAMBOREE

Sydney, Yesterday.
The World Boy Scouts Jamboree opened in Sydney this morning. Lord Gowrie, the Governor-General, read a message from the King to the 11,000 Scouts present.

Noteworthy absentees was the Chief Scout, Lord Baden-Powell, who was unable to be present owing to ill-health. —Reuter.

DERBY JUMP FURTHER AHEAD

London, Yesterday.
Following are the results of League football matches played to-day:

FIRST DIVISION

Arsenal	1	Huddersfield	0
Birmingham	3	Manchester U.	3
Blackpool	1	Wolves	0
Bolton	5	Portsmouth	1
Brentford	2	Everton	0
Derby	2	Aston Villa	1
Grimsby	1	Sunderland	3
Leeds	2	Charlton	1
Leicester	3	Chelsea	2
Liverpool	4	Preston	1
Middlesbrough	5	Stoke	1

SECOND DIVISION

Blackburn	3	Chesterfield	0
Coventry	4	Tottenham	0
Fulham	1	Tranmere	0
Manchester C.	5	Bradford	1
Millwall	1	Swansea	1
Newcastle	0	Sheffield U.	0
Norwich	2	Luton	1
Notts F.	2	Burnley	2
Wednesday	1	West Ham	4
Southampton	0	Bury	0
West Brom.	4	Plymouth	2

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)

Bournemouth	3	Walsall	1
Brighton	3	Mansfield	0
Bristol R.	0	Queen's P.R.	0
Cardiff	1	Newport	2
Clapton	3	Northampton	0
Ipswich	2	Exeter	2
Port Vale	4	Bristol C.	0
Reading	3	Southend	0
Swindon	2	Aldershot	1
Torquay	0	Notts C.	2
Watford	4	Crystal P.	1

THIRD DIVISION (NORTH)

Barrow	0	Stockport	2
Bradford C.	6	Hull	2
Carlisle	1	Darlington	1
Chester	0	Lincoln	0
Crewe	3	Hartlepool	2
Doncaster	0	Wrexham	0
Halifax	1	Barnsley	4
N. Brighton	4	Accrington	1
Oldham	1	Rochdale	2
Rotherham	2	York	0
Southport	2	Gateshead	0

SCOTTISH LEAGUE

Arbroath	3	Queen's P.	1
Ayr	3	Rangers	4
Celtic	2	Hearts	2
Falkirk	6	Raith	1
Hibernian	1	Clyde	1
Motherwell	2	Aberdeen	2
Partick	1	Albion	3
St. Johnstone	1	Kilmarnock	3
St. Mirren	2	Queen O'S.	0
Third Lanark	2	Hamilton	2

SECOND DIVISION

Airdrie	4	Dunfermline	3
Brechin	4	Edinburgh	3
Cowdenbeath	2	Dundee U.	2
Dumbarton	1	Leith	1
Dundee	2	Morton	1
East Fife	4	Montrose	0
Forfar	1	St. James' Park	0
King's Park	0	Alloa	4
St. Bernard's	3	East Stirling	2

[No correction had been received up to 3.30 a.m.—Ed.]

HORE-BELISHA IN PARIS

Paris, Yesterday.
Mr. Leslie Hore-Belisha, British Secretary for War, arrived in Paris to-day on a two-day visit.

While in the French capital, Mr. Hore-Belisha will see the Premier, M. Daladier, and the Chief of General Staff, General Gamelin.

Mr. Hore-Belisha has been holidaying in Alsace. —Reuter.

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